



UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS

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31 Dec 06

From: Commanding Officer, 3d Battalion, 3d Marines
To: Commandant of the Marine Corps (Code HDH-4), Headquarters, United States Marine Corps, Washington DC 20380-0001
Via: (1) Commanding Officer, 3d Marine Regiment
(2) Commanding Officer, 3d Marine Division

Subj: COMMAND CHRONOLOGY FOR THE PERIOD 01 OCT 2006 TO 31 DECEMBER 2006

Ref: (a) MCO 5750 .1G

Encl: (1) 3d Battalion, 3d Marines Command Chronology

1. Per the reference, enclosure (1) is submitted.


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I. (U) ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

(U) Unit designation

- a. Reporting Unit Code: M13130
- b. Table of Organization Numbers:
 - (1) 1013G Rifle Company, Infantry Battalion
 - (2) 1013G Rifle Company, Infantry Battalion
 - (3) 1013G Rifle Company, Infantry Battalion
 - (4) 1027H Weapons Company, Infantry Battalion
 - (5) 1037F Headquarters and Service Company, Infantry Battalion
- c. Period Covered and Location:
 - From 1 October 2006 through 4 October 2006, Al Asad, Iraq.
 - From 5 October 2006 through 31 December 2006, MCBH, Kaneohe Bay, HI.

(U) Personnel Information

- a. Commanding Officer
 - Lieutenant Colonel Norman L. Cooling
1 October 2006 - 23 October 2006
 - Lieutenant Colonel Nathan I. Nastase
23 October 2006 - 31 December 2006
- b. Executive Officer
 - Major Patrick A. Beckett
1 October 2006 - 23 October 2006
 - Major Michel W. Monbouquette
23 October 2006 - 31 December 2006
- c. Subordinate Commanders
 - (1) India Company (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b
1 October 2006 - 31 December 2006
 - (2) Kilo Company (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b
1 October 2006 - 17 October 2006
 - (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b
17 October 2006 - 31 December 2006
 - (3) Lima Company (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b
1 October 2006 - 13 October 2006
 - (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b
13 October 2006 - 31 December 2006
 - (4) Weapons Company (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b
1 October 2006 - 13 October 2006
 - (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b
13 October 2006 - 31 December 2006
 - (5) H&S Company (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b

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1 October 2006 - 17 October 2006

(b) (6), (b)(3) 130b

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d. Principal Staff Officers

(1) S-1 Officer

(b) (6), (b)(3) 130b

1 October 2006 - 31 December 2006

(2) S-2 Officer

(b) (6), (b)(3) 130b

1 October 2006 - 13 October 2006

(b) (6), (b)(3) 130b

13 October 2006 - 29 November 2006

(b) (6), (b)(3) 130b

29 November 2006 - 31 December 2006

(3) S-3 Officer

(b) (6), (b)(3) 130b

1 October 2006 - 31 December 2006

(4) Air Officers

(b) (6), (b)(3) 130b

1 October 2006 - 31 December 2006

(5) S-4 Officer

(b) (6), (b)(3) 130b

1 October 2006 - 31 December 2006

(6) S-6 Officer

(b) (6), (b)(3) 130b

1 October 2006 - 31 December 2006

(7) Chaplain

(b) (6), (b)(3) 130b

1 October 2006 - 31 December 2006

(8) Battalion Surgeon

(b) (6), (b)(3) 130b

1 October 2006 - 31 December 2006

e. Staff Historian

(b) (6), (b)(3) 130b

1 October 2006 - 31 December 2006

f. Sergeant Major

(b) (6), (b)(3) 130b

1 October 2006 - 31 December 2006

Average monthly strength (personnel chargeable and on hand):

	USMC	USMC	USN	USN
Month	Officer	Enlisted	Officer	Enlisted
October	50	817	3	61
November	44	787	3	44
December	44	945	3	34

(U) Equipment:

A listing of type and number of major items of equipment assigned. As required in UNITREP reference: MCBul 3000 (Table of Marine Automated Readiness Evaluation System (MARES) Logistics Reportable Items).

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TAMCN	NOMEN	SECTION	AUTH	POSS
A0425	M-DACT	COM	0	11
A1935	RADIO SET, AN/MRC-138B	COM	3	3
A1957	AN/MRC-145	COM	5	5
A2042	RADIO AN/PRC-138	COM	4	4
A2044	MBITR MARITIME VERS	COM	69	16
A2065	RADIO SET AN/PRC-104	COM	0	5
A2069	RADIO SET, UHF AN/PRC-113(V)3	COM	5	5
A2070	RADIO SET, MANPACK AN/PRC-119A	COM	36	32
A2074	AN/VRC-88D	COM	17	18
A2075	AN/VRC-89D	COM	2	2
A2079	AN/PRC-119F	COM	36	35
A2152	AV/VSQ2C (EPLRS)	COM	11	10
A2167	RADIO SET, AN/VRC-88A	COM	8	6
A2168	AN/VRC-89A	COM	2	2
A2169	AN/VRC-90A	COM	2	2
A2505	SWITCHBRD TELE, SB3614/TT AUTO	COM	1	1
A8100	CONTROL GROUP RADIO	COM	17	16
B0730	MEP-16B	ENG	2	2
D1001	TRK, AMB, 4 LIT, HMMWV 1 1/4T	MT	2	2
D1002	TRK AMB SOFT TOP HMMWV, M1035	MT	2	2
D1125	TRK HMMWV TOW CARR M1045/1046	MT	8	8
D1158	TRK CARGO, HMMWV M998/1038	MT	32	32
D1159	TRK ARMT HMMWV M1043/1044	MT	11	11
E0180	CIRCLE AIMING M2A2	ORD	4	4
E0207	JAVELIN M98A1	ORD	8	7
E0330	EQUIP SET NIGHT VIS AN/UAS-12A	ORD	8	8
E0915	SMAW	ORD	18	18

II. (U) Command, Operations, and Training

(U) The following is an account of the activities, operations, and training of 3d Battalion, 3d Marines (3/3) during the months of October through December 2006. During the first 5 days of October, the Battalion's main body re-deployed from Kuwait to Marine Corps Base Hawaii and was greeted by the families and friends at Hanger 5. The Battalion quickly conducted a safety brief and ensured all Marines and gear were accounted for. Once this was accomplished the Battalion secured for a seventy-two hour liberty weekend.

(U) The Battalion returned to work on Monday 9 October. Thanks to the Advance Party and its early return to Hawaii all the workspaces were ready and planning was already in progress for a Memorial Service honoring the fallen Marines from the deployment. In addition to the Memorial Service, four company Change of Command Ceremonies needed to be planned. On 13 October Weapons and Lima Company conducted their Change of Command Ceremonies at Dewey Square. On 17 October Kilo and H&S Company conducted their Change of Command Ceremonies in the field behind the Armory. Throughout this time period, the Marines of "America's Battalion" continue the retrograde by conducting gear inspections, administrative audits, and Company PT.

(U) On the afternoon of 20 October, the Battalion gathered at the base Chapel to remember the fallen Marines from the deployment. Thanks to a generous donation made by the Navy and Marine Corps Relief Society, the families of the Marines were able to fly to Hawaii and join the Battalion for this Ceremony. Representatives from each of the fallen Marines' platoons escorted the families throughout their stay. It was a moving service and helped bring closure to the families as well as to the Marines. At the service the following Marines were honored for giving their lives in service for their country: Corporal Andres Aguilar, Jr., H&S Company; Staff Sergeant Jason C. Ramseyer, H&S Company; Corporal Eric R. Lueken, H&S Company; Lance Corporal Hatak M. Yearby, H&S Company; Lance Corporal Jose S. Marindominguez, H&S Company; Sergeant David R. Christoff, Kilo Company; Lance Corporal William J. Leusink, Kilo Company; Lance Corporal Adam C. Conboy, Kilo Company; Lance Corporal Michael A Estrella, India Company; LCpl Ryan A. Miller, Lima Company; and Cpl Yull Estradarodriguez Lima Company.

(U) After the Memorial Service the Battalion finished preparations for the Battalion Commander's Change of Command Ceremony. On 23 October the outgoing Battalion Commander, Lieutenant Colonel Norman L. Cooling, passed the Battalion Colors to Lieutenant Colonel Nathan I. Nastase at Dewey Square. A reception occurred at the Officer's Club following the ceremony. An engraved table commemorating the Battalion's recent Operation Enduring Freedom (OEF) and Operation Iraqi Freedom (OIF) deployments was presented to the Club from the Officers in the Battalion. At the conclusion of this reception the Battalion began the post deployment leave block.

(U) On 13 November, the Battalion returned from post deployment leave. The Battalion Commander conducted a Command Philosophy brief for the entire Battalion at the base theater on 15 November. During this brief, the Battalion commander shared his vision of the training and preparations for the upcoming return deployment to Iraq in support of OIF. On 16 November the Battalion celebrated The Marine Corps

Birthday by conducting a three mile motivational run in the morning followed by celebration that evening at the Hawaiian Hilton Hotel's Crystal Ballroom. After the Ball the Battalion enjoyed a seventy-two hour liberty weekend. The following week was a short week due to the coming ninety-six hour Thanksgiving holiday weekend. During these few short weeks of November, the Battalion began training in accordance with Pre-Deployment Training Phase 1 and continued working on annual training requirements. The training classes for Phase 1 focused on individual and fire team skills and included the following topics: communications equipment, weapons disassembly/reassembly and handling procedures, terrain model construction, first-aid, call for fire, map reading, and MEDEVAC procedures. During this time frame Weapons Company also conducted a Sniper Indoctrination Screening. The Screening included Marines from the various rifle companies and resulted in sixteen Marines being accepted.

(U) The Battalion began December by conducting a 5-mile hike in the early morning hours on the first day of the month. Annual training requirements, individual skills, and schools continued to be the Battalion's focus as they progressed through the rebuilding phase. Lima Company traveled to Schofield Barracks on 6 December to conduct a BZO and familiarization fire. India Company began a squad competition from the 11th to the 15th. The competition tested the Marines on the skills taught the week prior. Physical fitness evaluations were thrown in to build teamwork and squad cohesion. From 11 to 20 December, H&S and Kilo Company conducted annual swim and Marine Corps Martial Arts Program (MCMAP) qualifications and upgrades. On 11 December, key personnel participated in a Regimental brief that focused on lessons learned throughout the deployment to Iraq. The goal of this brief was to pass on those lessons to First Battalion, Third Marines (1/3) in order to better equip them with knowledge and skills learned for their deployment to Iraq.

(U) Weapons Company continued Pre-Deployment Training Phase 1 with renewed emphasis on crew-served weapon cross training and remediation of basic mortar, anti-armor, and machine gun skill sets. Weapons Company administered a written and practical application machine gun test to all Marines in the Company in order to test their level of proficiency and prepare them for future live-fire events. From December 11 - 12, Kilo Company worked with Weapons Company to allow the Marines an opportunity to get .50cal and MK-19 training. On 14 December battle hardened veterans from the Hawaiian Chapter of "The Chosin Few" spoke to the Marines of the Battalion at the base theatre about their experiences during the Korean War.

(U) On 15 December, the Regiment tasked the Battalion with the U.S. Pacific Command Alert Contingency Marine Air Ground Task Force (ACM) and the Joint Task Force (JTF) 510 Marine Security Element (MSE) requirements. The ACM required the Battalion to maintain combat ready forces prepared to carry out a rapid response and deployment to any crisis. The MSE role required an infantry company to complete a training syllabus to include Initial Proficiency Training and Special Skills Training. Lima Company filled this MSE role and conducted Initial Proficiency Training consisting of classes on Operational Security (OPSEC), JTF capabilities, reports, recall procedures. Drills were conducted so that all players practiced executing the recall and execution timeline. Initial marksmanship training such as a Battle

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Sight Zero (BZO), night shoot, shotgun familiarization fire, and Indoor Simulated Marksmanship Trainer (ISMT) AT-4 shoot were included in the initial training. Special Skills Training included Rule of Engagement (ROE) classes, intelligence briefs, Public Affairs Officer (PAO) classes, and fast roping.

(U) December ended with (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b Post and Relief Ceremony followed by a safety stand-down on 20 December. The Battalion's Christmas leave period began on 20 December. For the Marines who did not take leave they enjoyed two ninety-six hour weekends for Christmas and New Years from 23 to 26 December and 30 December to 2 January. The Battalion enjoyed the first three months at home in Hawaii and were well on their way to a successful workup for the fast approaching deployment in support of OIF.

(U) Personnel and Administration

During this period, in addition to its daily administrative responsibilities, the S-1 Section was also tasked with numerous duties such as Postal, Protocol, and ensuring the cleanliness of the conference room.

(U) Legal Action

The Commanding Officer, 3rd Battalion, 3rd Marines, is the Special Courts Martial Convening Authority. The following legal proceedings were conducted concerning Marines and Sailors of this Battalion:

General Courts Martial.....	0
Special Courts Martial.....	0
Summary Courts Martial.....	0
Non-Judicial Punishment.....	8
Competency Review Board.....	3
JAG Manual Investigation.....	0
Administrative Discharge (non-EAS).....	0

(U) Awards

The following numbers of awards were presented to Marines and Sailors of 3rd Battalion, 3rd Marines:

Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal and senior.....	0
Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal.....	0
Certificate of Commendation.....	0
Meritorious Mast.....	0

(U) Logistics

October kicked off with the S-4 section successfully re-deploying the Battalion back to Marine Corp Base Hawaii. Immediately upon return, the section supported the change of command and memorial service just prior to taking block leave. Upon returning from block leave in November, the S-4 focused on administrative readiness while the Motor Transport and Ordnance sections focused on preparing equipment for the upcoming training. Additionally, throughout November the facilities

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section worked to fill quality of life shortfalls in the Bachelor Enlisted Quarters and ensured all workspaces were not in ill repair. The majority of December was spent preparing to support the Alert Contingency MAGTF requirement. This preparation was specifically focused on embarkation, ensuring that plans were in place to deploy the entire battalion within a two to three day window. Throughout the entire quarter, safety was stressed throughout the Battalion. MCBH Safety as well as a pre-leave safety brief at the base theatre stressed this with an annual safety inspection of the Battalion area.

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SECTION III. (U) SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

1-5	October	The Battalion Main Body redeployed to Marine Corps Base Hawaii from Kuwait.
6-9	October	The Battalion enjoyed three days of post deployment liberty.
10	October	H&S Staff Sections briefed the incoming Battalion Commander on the operations and upcoming schedules.
13	October	Weapons Company Commander, (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b conducted a change of command ceremony with incoming Weapons Company Commander, (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b
13	October	Lima Company Commander, (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b conducted a change of command ceremony with incoming Lima Company Commander, (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b
17	October	H&S Company Commander, (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b conducted a change of command ceremony with incoming H&S Company Commander, (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b
17	October	The outgoing Kilo Company Commander, (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b conducted a change of command ceremony with incoming Kilo Company Commander, (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b
20	October	The Battalion conducted a Memorial Service at the Base Chapel to remember and honor the fallen Marines from the deployment to Iraq in support of OIF.
23	October	The outgoing Battalion Commander, Lieutenant Colonel Norman C. Cooling, conducted a change of command ceremony with incoming Battalion Commander, Lieutenant Colonel Nathan I. Nastase.
24	October	The Battalion began post deployment leave.
13	November	The Battalion returned from post deployment leave.
13-24	November	The Battalion began Pre-Deployment Training Phase 1. This concentrated mainly on individual and fire team level skill sets. Classes included topics such as: communications equipment, weapons disassembly/reassembly and handling procedures, terrain model construction, first-aid, call for fire, map reading, and CASEVAC procedures.

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15	November	The Battalion Commander spoke to the Battalion about his command philosophy.
16	November	The Battalion conducted a 3-mile Battalion run.
16	November	The Battalion celebrated the Marine Corps Birthday at the Hilton Hawaiian Crystal Ballroom.
23-26	November	The Battalion enjoyed a four day Thanksgiving holiday.
28	November	Lima Company's MSE Platoon conducted fast-rope training.
30	November	Kilo Company conducted "Grunt Stakes 1."
1	December	The Battalion conducted a 5-mile hike.
5-8	December	H&S Company conducted annual training Iraqi Cultural Training classes and Coaches Course school to qualify at the rifle range.
6	December	Lima Company conducted a BZO and familiarization fire at Schofield Barracks ranges.
8	December	Lima Company conducted a Skills Challenge.
11	December	The Battalion conducted a OIF lessons learned brief with 1/3.
11-12	December	Kilo Company conducted .50cal/MK-19 training with support from Weapons Company.
11-15	December	H&S Company conducted annual training requirements for swim qualifications.
11-15	December	India Company conducted a "Grunt Stakes" squad competition.
11-13	December	Weapons Company conducted round robin training focusing on communication, map reading, and machine gun operations.
13	December	Kilo Company conducted annual swim qualifications.
13-24	November	Weapons Company began Pre-Deployment Training Phase 1. This concentrated on weapons and vehicle maintenance/inventories, machine gun cross training, and individual skill sets for 0331, 0341, 0351, and 0352s. The Sniper indoctrination was administered and (16) Marines were accepted into the platoon.
14	December	India Company conducted a BZO range.

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14	December	Kilo Company conducted "Grunt Stakes 2."
14	December	The Battalion conducted a SNCO and Officer PME with Chosin Reservoir Veterans.
14	December	Lima Company conducted annual swim qualifications.
14	December	Weapons Company administered a crew-served weapons handling test to all 0341, 0351, and 0352s in the Company.
15	December	Lima Company assumed the MSE Platoon responsibility.
15	December	The Battalion assumed responsibilities as the Lead Echelon for the III MEF ACM.
18-21	December	H&S Company conducted Marine Martial Arts Program (MCMAP) and swim qualification upgrades.
20	December	The Battalion conducted a Christmas leave block Safety brief at the base theater.
20	December	The Battalion conducted (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b Relief ceremony and farewell.
20	December	The Battalion Christmas leave block began.
23-26	December	The Battalion enjoyed a four day Christmas holiday weekend.
27-29	December	H&S Company conducted Marine Martial Arts Program (MCMAP).
30	December	The Battalion began the four-day New Years holiday.

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SECTION IV: SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

ITEM	DESCRIPTION
A	Battalion Memorial Service LOI (20 Oct)
B	Battalion Change of Command ceremony LOI (23 Oct)
C	(b) (6), (b)(3) 130b Relief ceremony FRAGO (20 Dec)
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IN REPLY REFER TO:
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17 Jun 06

From: Commanding Officer, 3d Battalion, 3d Marines
To: Distribution List

Subj: LETTER OF INSTRUCTION (LOI) FOR THE 3D BATTALION, 3D MARINES
CEREMONIAL MEMORIAL SERVICE 20 OCTOBER 2006

Ref: MCO P5060.20

Encl: (1) Ceremony Assignments (Key Personnel)
(2) Rehearsal Schedule
(3) Sequence of events

1. Purpose. To provide information and guidance for conducting a memorial service for our Fallen Marines.

2. Information. On 20 October 2006, 3d Battalion, 3d Marines, will conduct a memorial service at Marine Corps Base Hawaii, Kaneohe Bay, Hawaii, for the Battalion's Fallen Marines.

3. Assignments and Instructions

a. The ceremony will be organized per reference (a) and as outlined in enclosures (1) through (3).

b. Personnel in enclosure (2) will make themselves available for all rehearsals listed in enclosure (2).

c. This is an all hands event. The formation for the memorial is battalion on line with companies in mass.

d. Conduct and supervise rehearsals in accordance with enclosure (3).

4. Uniform and Equipment

a. Military personnel. The designated uniform for the ceremony is the Desert Marine Pattern Uniform.

b. Civilian Guests. Appropriate civilian attire.

5. Coordinating Instructions

a. Commander of Troops. Coordinate all plans and briefs. Execute the rehearsals and ceremony per enclosures (2) through (3).

b. S-1

(1) Provide a script to the narrator.

(2) Begin preparation of the VIP seating chart.

(3) Consolidate a guest list and mail all invitations.

(4) Prepare RSVP roster for use by phone watches.

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- (5) Deliver program to the Defense Printing Service and ensure completion and pickup of all programs.
- (6) Request PAO coverage for the event.
- (7) Coordinate last minute changes to the seating chart.
- (8) Label VIP seating area and brief ushers on their duties.
- (9) Coordinate with MCBH for an appropriate message to be displayed on the MCBH marquee.

c. S-3

- (1) Arrange for a video and photographs to be taken of the event.
- (2) Request musical support (Marine Forces Pacific Band) for the ceremony, taped music for rehearsals and a 20 minute concert prior to the start of the ceremony.
- (3) Ensure final coordination has been made with all units to deconflict scheduling problems.
- (4) Pick up a copy of the rehearsal tape with ceremony music from the band prior to the rehearsals.
- (5) Coordinate traffic and force protection measures with military police.
- (6) Ensure the parade ground is marked, coordinate with the Battalion Sergeant Major.
- (7) Rehearse the traffic control plan with the road guards and VIP parking escorts.
- (8) Ensure adequate corpsman support for all rehearsals to include the ceremony.
- (9) Request "Quiet Hours" from appropriate agencies.

d. S-4

- (1) Request the use of the State Flags from MCBH for the ceremony.
- (2) Request the use of the Parade Ground Marking Flags from 3d Marine Regiment.
- (3) Ensure that arrangements are made for sufficient seating and canopy cover for approximately 100 guests (50 of which are to be seated in VIP seating).
- (4) Request two general purpose tables and have refreshments (coffee and juice) ready prior to the event at the site.
- (5) Develop the parking plan and coordinate with the S-3.

(6) Coordinate a working party as needed for rehearsals and ceremony set up.

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e. S-6

(1) Provide the public address system for the rehearsals and ceremony to include a cassette/CD Player for rehearsal music.

f. Company Commanders. Provide personnel for this event as required.

g. Battalion Chaplain. Publish the ceremony bulletin/program.

h. Sergeant Major. Conduct and supervise rehearsals in accordance with enclosure (2).

i. Rehearsals. Rehearsals will be conducted in accordance with the schedule outlined in enclosure (2).

6. Action. Personnel and the companies will be in place at the ceremony site 15 minutes prior to all rehearsals and the actual event.

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Distribution: A

Item (A)

CEREMONY ASSIGNMENTS (KEY PERSONNEL)

Commander of Troops and Staff

Color Guard

Company Guidon Bearers-One per company

Boots and Rifle Detail-One detail per Marine

Chaplain

Narrator

Ushers (6)

REHEARSAL SCHEDULE

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Location</u>
19 October	0730	Practice - Key personnel	MAG24 Airfield
20 October	1300	Practice - All hands	MAG24 Airfield
20 October	1500	Ceremony	MAG24 Airfield.

SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

H -15: The Battalion is formed and the band plays its concert.

H -5: Narrator - "LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, THE MUSIC FOR TODAY'S SERVICE IS PROVIDED BY THE MARINE FORCES PACIFIC BAND UNDER THE DIRECTION OF MASTER SERGEANT MARK D. GLEASON".

H-HOUR - Narrator: "GOOD AFTERNOON LADIES AND GENTLEMEN. ON BEHALF OF THE COMMANDING OFFICER, LIEUTENANT COLONEL N. L. COOLING, WELCOME TO TODAY'S MEMORIAL SERVICE. TODAY'S CEREMONY IS BEING EXECUTED BY THE MARINES AND SAILORS OF AMERICA'S BATTALION, 3D BATTALION, 3D MARINES.

COT "Staff, FALL IN".
 Faces about and commands
 "Staff, FORWARD, MARCH/STAFF, HALT".

COT "battalion, ATTENTION".

Narrator - "LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, PLEASE RISE FOR THE INVOCATION OFFERED BY LIEUTENANT PAUL TREMBLAY, CHAPLAIN CORPS, UNITED STATES NAVY, AND REMAIN STANDING FOR THE MARCHING ON OF THE COLORS AND THE PLAYING OF OUR NATIONAL ANTHEM.

CHAPLAIN "LET US PRAY/AMEN".

COT "MARCH ON THE COLORS".

COT "Present, ARMS" The adjutant commands the staff:
 "staff, present, ARMS."

 The National Anthem is played.

COT "Order, ARMS/POST THE COLORS". The adjutant commands the staff: "staff, order, ARMS."

Narrator "LADIES AND GENTLEMEN PLEASE BE SEATED".

COT "BOX THE STAFF". The adjutant commands the staff:
 "left, FACE: column right, March; column right, March;
 mark time, March; staff, HALT; right, FACE."

COT Faces about "BATTALION SERGEANT MAJOR, READ THE
 FINAL ROLL CALL".

The Battalion Sergeant Major takes position, faces the battalion and reads the roll of the Marines being honored:

CUE: B&R DETAIL MOVES ONCE THE SERGEANT MAJOR BEGINS READING.

B&R DETAIL MOVEMENTS:

RIFLE: The rifle bearer takes one-step forward, halts, rotates the rifle counter-clockwise until the bayonet is facing down and the magazine well is towards the company, and sticks the bayonet into the ground, then steps back.

HELMET: The helmet bearer then steps forward, places the helmet on the butt of the rifle (front of helmet towards the magazine well) and steps back.

BOOTS/ID TAGS: The boots/ID tag bearer then steps forward, hangs the ID tags from the pistol grip, places the boots in front of the rifle (toes towards company) and steps back.

CUE: ONCE THE BOOTS/ID TAG BEARER ARE BACK IN POSITION THE BATTALION SERGEANT MAJOR READS THE NEXT MARINE TO BE HONORED.

CUE: AFTER THE LAST KIA'S NAME IS READ, THE SERGEANT MAJOR RETURNS TO HIS POSITION.

COT: Faces about and commands "Parade, REST."
Executes an about face and commands
"Staff, Parade, REST."

Narrator: "LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, THE COMMANDING OFFICER OF 3D BATTALION, 3D MARINES LIEUTENANT COLONEL NORMAN L. COOLING".

CUE: AFTER THE BATTALION COMMANDER IS COMPLETE WITH HIS COMMENTS THE COT WILL COMMAND:

COT: "Staff, ATTENTION" "boots and rifle" exec.
Faces the battalion and commands

"Battalion, ATTENTION" and then faces about, facing the reviewing area.

PRESENTAION OF FLAGS: Battalion Commander/Battalion Sergeant Major.

Narrator: "LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, PLEASE RISE AS WE HONOR OUR FALLEN MARINES AND REMAIN STANDING FOR THE MARCHING OFF OF THE COLORS, AND THE MUSICAL SELECTIONS 'ANCHORS AWEIGH' AND 'THE MARINES' HYMN'."

COT: Faces about and commands "Present, ARMS"
"HONOR THE DEAD"
Faces about and commands "Staff, Present, ARMS".

BUGLER: Plays "Taps."

CUE: AFTER THE LAST NOTE OF "TAPS"

COT: "staff, Order, ARMS."
Faces the Battalion and commands
"Order, ARMS."
All hands execute order arms.

Anchors Aweigh and The Marines' Hymn are played.

COT: "RETIRE THE COLORS".

COT: "Company Commanders, take charge of your
companies".

COCDRS: "AYE, AYE, SIR"

COCDRS: Execute an about face and in sequence says:
"COMPANY FIRST SERGEANT"

COT: When the salute has been returned, commands "STAFF, DISMISSED"
and retires from the parade deck.

Staff: On the command "DISMISSED," executes the following count:

- 1 - Staff steps back with left foot
- 2 - Staff brings heels together
- 3 - Staff executes hand salute
- 4 - COT salutes
- 5 - COT cuts
- 6 - Staff cuts salute
- 7 - Staff executes about face,
- 8 - Staff steps off

Narrator: "LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, THIS CONCLUDES TODAY'S CEREMONY,
THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENDANCE.

Enclosure (3)

Item (A)



UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS

3D BATTALION, 3D MARINES
3D MARINE DIVISION
UNIT 44070
FPO AP 96607-4070

IN REPLY REFER TO:
5060
CO
17 Jun 06

From: Commanding Officer, 3d Battalion, 3d Marines
To: Distribution List

Subj: LETTER OF INSTRUCTION (LOI) FOR THE 3D BATTALION, 3D MARINES
CHANGE OF COMMAND CEREMONY 23 OCTOBER 2006

Ref: MCO P5060.20

Encl: (1) Ceremony Assignments (Key Personnel)
(2) Rehearsal Schedule
(3) Sequence of Events

1. Purpose. To provide information and guidance for conducting the Change of Command Ceremony for 3d Battalion, 3d Marines, on 23 October 2006.

2. Information. At 1000, on 23 October 2006, Lieutenant Colonel Norman L. Cooling will relinquish command of 3d Battalion, 3d Marines to Lieutenant Colonel Nathan I. Nastase.

3. Assignments and Instructions

a. The ceremony will be organized per reference (a) and as outlined in enclosures (1) through (3).

b. Personnel in enclosure (2) will make themselves available for all rehearsals listed in enclosure (2).

c. This is an all hands event. The formation for the memorial is battalion on line with companies in mass.

d. Conduct and supervise rehearsals in accordance with enclosure (3).

4. Uniform and Equipment

a. Military personnel. The designated uniform for the ceremony is the Desert Marine Pattern Utility Uniform.

b. Civilian Guests. Appropriate civilian attire.

5. Coordinating Instructions

a. Commander of Troops. Coordinate all plans and briefs. Execute the rehearsals and ceremony per enclosures (2) through (3).

b. S-1

(1) Provide a script to the narrator.

(2) Begin preparation of the VIP seating chart.

(3) Consolidate a guest list and mail all invitations.

(4) Prepare RSVP roster for use by phone watches.

Item (B)

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(5) Deliver program to the Defense Printing Service and ensure completion and pickup of all programs.

(6) Request PAO coverage for the event.

(7) Coordinate last minute changes to the seating chart.

(8) Label VIP seating area and brief ushers on their duties.

(9) Coordinate with MCBH for an appropriate message to be displayed on the MCBH marquee.

c. S-3

(1) Arrange for a video and photographs to be taken of the event.

(2) Request musical support (Marine Forces Pacific Band) for the ceremony, taped music for rehearsals and a 20 minute concert prior to the start of the ceremony.

(3) Ensure final coordination has been made with all units to deconflict scheduling problems.

(4) Pick up a copy of the rehearsal tape with ceremony music from the band prior to the rehearsals.

(5) Coordinate traffic and force protection measures with military police.

(6) Ensure the parade ground is marked, coordinate with the Battalion Sergeant Major.

(7) Rehearse the traffic control plan with the road guards and VIP parking escorts.

(8) Ensure adequate corpsman support for all rehearsals to include the ceremony.

(9) Request "Quiet Hours" from appropriate agencies.

d. S-4

(1) Request the use of the State Flags from MCBH for the ceremony.

(2) Request the use of the Parade Ground Marking Flags from 3d Marine Regiment.

(3) Ensure that arrangements are made for sufficient seating and canopy cover for approximately 100 guests (50 of which are to be seated in VIP seating).

(4) Request two general purpose tables and have refreshments (coffee and juice) ready prior to the event at the site.

(5) Develop the parking plan and coordinate with the S-3.

(6) Coordinate a working party as needed for rehearsals and ceremony set up.

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(7) Set aside the Pennsylvania and Texas State Flags for appropriate display in the Reviewing Area.

e. S-6

(1) Provide the public address system for the rehearsals and ceremony to include a cassette/CD Player for rehearsal music.

f. Company Commanders. Provide personnel for this event as required.

g. Battalion Adjutant. Publish the ceremony bulletin/program.

h. Sergeant Major. Conduct and supervise rehearsals in accordance with enclosure (2).

i. Rehearsals. Rehearsals will be conducted in accordance with the schedule outlined in enclosure (2).

6. Action. Personnel and the companies will be in place at the ceremony site 15 minutes prior to all rehearsals and the actual event.

N. L. COOLING

Distribution: A

CEREMONY ASSIGNMENTS (KEY PERSONNEL)

Commander of Troops and Staff-Battalion Xo and all

Color Guard

Company Commanders-All companies.

Company Guidon Bearers

Platoon Commanders

Platoon Sergeants

Platoon Guides

Chaplain

Narrator

Ushers (6)

REHEARSAL SCHEDULE

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Location</u>
13 October	0730	Change of Cmd Brief	Bn Conf Rm
16 October	0730	Practice key personnel*	Parade field
17 October	0730	Practice key personnel*	Parade field
18 October	0800	Practice all hands	Parade field
19 October	0900	Practice all hands Practice inclement weather plan	Parade field
20 October	0730	Practice all hands	Parade field
23 October	0800	Practice all hands	Parade field
23 October	1000	All parade participants In place	Parade field

*Key personnel as per enclosure (1)

ENCLOSURE (2)

DTG	130800WDEC06		
REF:	MCO P5060.20		
ENCL:	(1) Sequence of Events (2) Rehearsal Schedule		
TASK ORGANIZATION: N/A			
SITUATION: (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b will relinquish his position as Sergeant Major, 3D Battalion, 3D Marines at 1300 on 20 Dec 06 at Dewey Square, Marine Corps Base Hawaii, Kaneohe Bay.			
HIGHER MISSION: No change.		HIGHER INTENT: No change.	
MISSION: At 1300 on 20 Dec 06, selected elements will participate in the 3D Battalion, 3D Marines Sergeant Major Relief Ceremony in order to honor the achievements of one of the Battalion's most distinguished Marines.			
COMMANDER'S INTENT: This ceremony will pay tribute to one of the Battalion's most valued professionals. Consequently, I require that this ceremony be conducted with the high degree of professionalism and military precision that is associated with 3D Battalion, 3D Marines. Attention to detail and adherence to the rehearsal schedule are critical in meeting this goal.			
CONCEPT OF OPERATIONS: The ceremony will comprise units assigned to 3d Battalion, 3d Marines. In the event of inclement weather, the ceremony will be conducted in the Base Theater. The ceremony will be conducted in accordance with the reference and enclosure (1). Preparation for the ceremony will be conducted in accordance with enclosures (1) and (2).			
TASKS			
INDIA COMPANY	T1: Provide on ceremonial company consisting of 101 Marines including the company commander and guidon bearer. T2: Provide one SNCO escort P1-2: In order to properly support the ceremony.		
KILO COMPANY	T1: Provide on ceremonial company consisting of 101 Marines including the company commander and guidon bearer. T2: Provide one SNCO escort P1-2: In order to properly support the ceremony.		
LIMA COMPANY	T1: Provide on ceremonial company consisting of 101 Marines including the company commander and guidon bearer. T2: Provide one SNCO escort P1-2: In order to properly support the ceremony.		
WPNS COMPANY	T1: Provide on ceremonial company consisting of 101 Marines including the company commander and guidon bearer. T2: Provide one SNCO escort P1-2: In order to properly support the ceremony.		
S-1	T1: Coordinate guest lists with the Sergeant Major and prepare and deliver invitations for the ceremony.		

S-1	<p>T2: Prepare a biographical narrative with photograph for (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b for the parade program.</p> <p>T3: Prepare a parade program for distribution at the ceremony NLT 1600 15 Dec 2006.</p> <p>T4: Designate seating for distinguished guests in accordance with protocol. Have tags for designated VIP seats and all confirmed RSVPs. Ensure ushers are on hand for VIP seating. Coordinate all seating arrangements for units attending the event.</p> <p>T5: Arrange to pick up flowers for the spouse of the outgoing Sergeant Major.</p> <p>T6: Prepare and assist in the coordination of the reception (if applicable).</p> <p>T7: Coordinate with the Base Adjutant/Division Staff Secretary on the CG's attendance/participation, if applicable.</p> <p>T8: Ensure the appropriate General Officer flag is on hand for the ceremony (if applicable).</p> <p>T9: Serve as protocol SNCO.</p> <p>T10: Provide (1) Sgt to act as part of the ceremonial staff.</p> <p>T11: Provide audio-visual support with video and still photography personnel and equipment to produce a professional package for historical review.</p> <p>P1-11: In order to properly support the ceremony.</p>
S-2	<p>T: Provide (1) SNCO and (1) NCO to act as part of the ceremonial staff.</p> <p>P: In order to support the ceremony</p>
S-3	<p>T1: Responsible for the overall coordination of the Ceremony.</p> <p>T2: Arrange for quiet hours during the ceremony.</p> <p>T3: Coordinate band participation for the ceremony.</p> <p>T4: Request for the use of the 50 State Flags.</p> <p>T5: Reserve Dewey Square and the Base Theater (in the event of inclement weather) for rehearsals and the ceremony, and restore grounds upon completion.</p> <p>T6: Provide (1) SNCO and (1) NCO to act as part of the ceremonial staff.</p> <p>P1-6: In order to support the ceremony.</p>
S-4	<p>T1: Arrange for the grass at Dewey Square to be mowed on 19 December 2006. Arrange for and coordinate medical support for all rehearsals and the ceremony.</p> <p>T2: Ensure all seats are wiped down and grounds are in a good state of police prior to the ceremony.</p> <p>T3: Develop and implement a plan for VIP/GUEST parking.</p> <p>T4: Arrange and establish traffic control points for traffic in the vicinity of the PWM.</p> <p>T5: Arrange for the posting of "Special Event" signs.</p> <p>T6: Obtain appropriate compliment of LEIS and flowers for Mrs. Stables.</p> <p>T7: Provide (1) SNCO and (1) NCO to act as part of the ceremonial staff.</p> <p>P1-7: In order to properly support the ceremony.</p>
S-6	<p>T1: Provide public address system for the Relief ceremony. Ensure system is set up and tested by 0800 on 19 December 2006 and 1200 on 20 December 2006.</p> <p>T2: Provide a technician to stand by during the rehearsal and ceremony to ensure equipment works properly.</p> <p>P1-2: In order to ensure that all equipment is functioning properly in support of the ceremony.</p>
BAS	<p>T: Coordinate with companies to ensure adequate Corpsman support is on-hand and necessary equipment is available.</p> <p>P: In order to provide medical support in case of an emergency.</p>

BATTALION CHAPLAIN	T: Prepare and give the invocation. P: In order to support the ceremony
ADMINISTRATION/LOGISTICS	
As per S-4 tasking	
COMMAND AND SIGNAL	
N/A	
COORDINATING INSTRUCTIONS	
<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. The First Sergeant, Lima Company, 3D Battalion, 3D Marines is designated as the primary point of contact for this ceremony.2. Rehearsals will be conducted in accordance with enclosure (2).3. The uniform for the ceremonial platoons is Desert MarPat utilities4. Companies will be formed company in mass with 9-man front.5. The following billets are designated as key personnel:<ol style="list-style-type: none">a. Commander of Troops (COT)b. Staffc. Narratord. Company Commanderse. Guidesf. Battalion Color Guardg. Sword Escort6. Guests and spectators should be seated by 1245.	
NOTES	
Distribution list	

N. I. NASTASE
LIEUTENANT COLONEL, USMC
COMMANDING

OFFICIAL:

(b) (6), (b)(3) 130b

PERATIONS OFFICER

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Item (C)



**3d BATTALION,
3d MARINES**

**COMMAND
CHRONOLOGY**

**1 JANUARY 2007 –
30 JUNE 2007**



UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS
3D BATTALION, 3D MARINES
3D MARINE DIVISION (-) (REIN)
BOX 63018, MCBH KANEOHE BAY, HI 96863-3018

IN REPLY REFER TO:

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S-3

30 Jun 07

From: Commanding Officer, 3d Battalion, 3d Marine Regiment
To: Commandant of the Marine Corps (Code HDH-4),
Headquarters, United States Marine Corps, Washington DC
20380-0001

Via: (1) Commanding Officer, 3d Marine Regiment
(2) Commanding General, 3d Marine Division

Subj: COMMAND CHRONOLOGY FOR THE PERIOD 01 JANUARY TO 30
JUNE 2007

Ref: (a) MCO 5750.1G

Encl: (1) 3d Battalion, 3d Marines Command Chronology

1. Per reference (a), enclosure (1) is submitted.


N. I. NASTASE

I. (U) ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

(U) Unit designation

a. Reporting Unit Code: M13130

b. Table of Organization Numbers:

- (1) 1013G Rifle Company, Infantry Battalion
- (2) 1013G Rifle Company, Infantry Battalion
- (3) 1013G Rifle Company, Infantry Battalion
- (4) 1027H Weapons Company, Infantry Battalion
- (5) 1037F Headquarters and Service Company, Infantry

c. Period covered and location:

From 1 January 2007 through 30 June 2007, MCBH, Kaneohe Bay, HI.

(U) Personnel Information

a. Commanding Officer Lieutenant Colonel Nathan I. Nastase
1 January 2007 - 30 June 2007

b. Executive Officer Major Michel W. Monbouquette
1 January 2007 - 30 June 2007

c. Subordinate Commanders

(1) India Company (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b
1 January 2007 - 13 April 2007

(b) (6), (b)(3) 130b
13 April 2007 - 30 June 2007

(2) Kilo Company (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b
1 January 2007 - 24 April 2007

(b) (6), (b)(3) 130b
24 April 2007 - 30 June 2007

(3) Lima Company (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b
1 January 2007 - 30 June 2007

(4) Weapons Company (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b
1 January 2007 - 30 June 2007

(5) Headquarters and Service Company
(b) (6), (b)(3) 130b
1 January 2007 - 9 March 2007

(b) (6), (b)(3) 130b
9 March 2007 - 30 June 2007

d. Principal Staff Officers

(1) S-1 Officer (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b
1 January 2007 - 1 May 2007

(b) (6), (b)(3) 130b

2 May 2007 - 30 June 2007.

(2) S-2 Officer (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b
1 January 2007 - 30 June 2007

(3) S-3 Officer (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b
1 January 2007 - 30 June 2007

(4) Air Officer (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b
1 January 2007 - 16 May 2007

(b) (6), (b)(3) 130b
17 May 2007 - 30 June 2007

(5) S-4 Officer (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b
1 January 2007 - 4 April 2007

(b) (6), (b)(3) 130b
4 April 2007 - 30 June 2007

(6) S-6 Officer (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b
1 January 2007 - 20 February 2007

(b) (6), (b)(3) 130b
20 February 2007 - 30 June 2007

(7) Chaplain (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b
1 January 2007 - 30 June 2007

(8) Battalion Surgeon (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b
1 January 2007 - 18 June 2007

(b) (6), (b)(3) 130b
1 January 2007 - 30 June 2007

e. Staff Historian (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b
1 January 2007 - 16 May 2007

(b) (6), (b)(3) 130b
17 May 2007 - 30 June 2007

f. Sergeant Major Sergeant Major (acting)
(b) (6), (b)(3) 130b
1 January 2007 - 9 March 2007

(b) (6), (b)(3) 130b
9 March 2007 - 30 June 2007

Average monthly strength (personnel chargeable and on hand):

	USMC	USMC	USN	USN
Month	Officer	Enlisted	Officer	Enlisted
September	48	1004	3	45

(U) Equipment:

A listing of type and number of major items of equipment assigned. As required in UNITREP reference: MCBul 3000 (Table of Marine Automated Readiness Evaluation System (MARES) Logistics Reportable Items).

TAMCN	NOMEN	SECTION	AUTH	POSS
A0067	RADIO SET, AN/MRC-148	COM	3	3
A0425	M-DACT	COM	11	11
A1225	EPLRS NETWORK MAN	COM	1	1
A1935	RADIO SET, AN/MRC-138B	COM	3	3
A1957	AN/MRC-145	COM	5	5
A2042	RADIO AN/PRC-138	COM	7	7
A2043	MBITR URBAN VER	COM	85	85
A2065	RADIO SET AN/PRC-104	COM	0	4
A2068	AN/PRC-117F RADIO SET	COM	7	7
A2069	RADIO SET, UHF AN/PRC-113(V)3	COM	0	0
A2070	RADIO SET, MANPACK AN/PRC-119A	COM	36	32
A2074	AN/VRC-88D	COM	16	18
A2075	AN/VRC-89D	COM	2	2
A2079	AN/PRC-119F	COM	36	35
A2152	AV/VSQ2C (EPLRS)	COM	11	10
A2167	RADIO SET, AN/VRC-88A	COM	0	0
A2168	AN/VRC-89A	COM	2	2
A2169	AN/VRC-90A	COM	2	2
A2505	SWITCHBRD TELE, SB3614/TT AUTO	COM	1	1
A2538	DATA NETWORK SERVER	COM	2	2
A8100	CONTROL GROUP RADIO	COM	17	16
B0730	MEP-16B	MT	2	2
D1001	TRK, AMB, 4 LIT, HMMWV 1 1/4T	MT	2	2
D1002	TRK AMB SOFT TOP HMMWV, M1035	MT	2	2
D1125	TRK HMMWV TOW CARR M1045/1046	MT	8	8
D1158	TRK CARGO, HMMWV M998/1038	MT	32	32
D1159	TRK ARMT HMMWV M1043/1044	MT	11	11
E0180	CIRCLE AIMING M2A2	ORD	4	4
E0207	JAVELIN M98A1	ORD	8	8
E0330	EQUIP SET NIGHT VIS AN/UAS-12A	ORD	8	8
E0915	SMAW	ORD	18	18
E0935	LAUNCHER TOW, M220E4	ORD	8	8
E0980	MACH GUN CAL 50 M2	ORD	6	6
E0989	MACH GUN 240B	ORD	29	25
E0994	MACHINE GUN, 40MM, MK-19	ORD	11	11
E1065	MORTAR 60MM M224	ORD	9	9
E1095	MORTAR, 81MM, M252	ORD	8	8
E1460	RIFLE SNIPER M40A1	ORD	8	8
E1475	RIFLE, SNIPER	ORD	2	2
E1911	TEST SET, MIS GUIDE AN/TSM-152	ORD	2	2
E1912	FIELD TEST SET TOW	ORD	2	2

II. (U) Command, Operations, and Training

(U) The following is an account of the activities, operations, and training of 3d Battalion, 3d Marines (3/3) during the months of January through June 2007. During these months, the Battalion implemented its pre-deployment phase training and focused solely on preparations for the upcoming deployment in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom (OIF). The Battalion relied heavily on the veteran Marines who remained in the Battalion for the upcoming deployment. These Marines would provide the lessons learned and disseminate their knowledge to the large number of incoming Marines who had not deployed to Iraq. The phase training began with focus on the individual Marine and progressively built upon each preceding phase as the focus moved from Individual Marines to fire teams, squads, platoons, companies, and finally Battalion level operations. It was this building block approach that provided a Corps of disciplined Marines and enabled the Battalion to function effectively and efficiently in the upcoming deployment.

(U) After returning from the Christmas and New Years holiday leave block, the Battalion quickly focused on training at the fundamental level. This was accomplished by completing annual training requirements, Iraqi cultural training, and individual rifle-pistol ranges. This training began on the 3rd of January with the Battalions Back in the Saddle training. This training gave the Marines a glimpse of the road ahead and introduced them to the Battalion CO's goals and expectations.

(U) In the month of January, Headquarters and Service Company (H&S) prepared and conducted a convoy course and live-fire shoot at Schofield Barracks on 8-9 January. The H&S Coaches conducted tables III and IV at the rifle range from 8-12 January, in order to improve H&S Company Marine's marksmanship skills prior to the rifle range. On 16 January, H&S Company completed NBC annual training requirements. During the last half of January, the majority of the Company completed the rifle range.

(U) India and Kilo Companies focused training on annual requirements including Swim qualifications, Rifle range qualifications and Rifle range Field fire. The Companies also utilized much of January to send Marines to schools and teach Marines Mission Critical tasks for the upcoming deployment in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. The bulk of this instruction was taught by senior Marines who were eager to pass on knowledge from past deployments on topics including: Patrolling Tactics, Communications equipment, Machine Gun Gunnery and the Arabic Language.

(U) On 5 January, Lima Company conducted a 3-mile hike aboard MCBH. For this first hike Marines carried a minimal fighting load, which increased on subsequent hikes as the battalion's combat conditioning program advanced. The month of January saw the continuance of Pre-Deployment Training Phase 1 with renewed emphasis on individual and fire team level skill sets. The Company sought to build up to squad level skills by the end of the month. From 8-9 January, 1st Platoon conducted continuous patrolling and MOUT operations at Building 1060 on MCBH, including room clearing and cordons and searches with SESAM rounds. A majority of Lima Company fired tables I and II on the pistol and rifle range at Pu'uloa from 22-26 January. From 29 January-1

February, the Company conducted urban training at Schofield Barracks. The Marines trained in fire team and squad dismounted patrolling and building clearing at Porter Village and CTF MOUT, and conducted live fire room clearing at the Shoot House. The Marine Security Element platoon also conducted cross training with C/1/1, an Army Special Forces unit.

(U) As Weapons Company Marines returned from schools with a new knowledge base, the platoons began to grow into their new structures. The passing of knowledge and leadership from the seasoned Marines who departed to the remaining Marines continued throughout the month with classes and practical application of combat skills.

(U) On 12 January, the Battalion began a conditioning program with a 6-mile hike. The following week on the 20th, the battalion conducted a family day at the Bellows recreation area. This allowed the new Battalion Commanding Officer to personally meet with the families of the Marines and Sailors of the Battalion.

(U) In the month of February, H&S Company focused on completing live fire training with tables III and IV. From 12 to 16 February, the Battalion organized a defensive driver's course where all H&S drivers conducted training for combat style driving. From 20 to 21 February, H&S Company took 60 Marines to the Schofield live-fire shoot house in order to conduct fire team level, close quarter battle and room clearing techniques.

(U) India Company seized the opportunity to expand on training conducted in January and test the individual Marine's ability to utilize tactics and techniques learned. Training included a table III/IV live fire, Arabic language, Communications, urban patrolling and squad standard operating procedures. India Company conducted a field operation aboard Schofield barracks that tested the Marines ability to react to engagements with enemy personnel and civilians in a constantly changing battlefield. India Company utilized the last week of February to focus on Urban Patrolling and Convoy Operations. During Patrolling exercises, squads conducted continuous operations involving many different types of patrols and skill sets. The convoy operations served as an introduction and refresher for the line platoons who did not complete many mounted patrols during our last deployment.

(U) The month of February saw many Kilo Company Marines participating in Battalion organized training such as TCCC and the Tactical Driving Course. Kilo Marines also conducted MOUT training in building 1060 using simulated rounds and practicing both day and night urban patrolling throughout Marine Corps Base Hawaii (MCBH). One of the main highlights for the month, was the fire-team live fire at the grenade house and shoot house aboard Schofield Barracks.

(U) Lima Company conducted further live fire and MOUT training at MCBH, Marine Corps Training Area Bellows (MCTAB), and Schofield Barracks, in addition to supplementary MOS training. From 5-9 February the Company certified over 30 Marines as Gray Belts in the Marine Corps Martial Arts Program (MCMAP) under the direction of Sgt Vernon Jarvis, an instructor-trainer in the program. Several Marines also received advanced medical training through the TCCC course that week. From 12-13 February, Lima Company conducted fire and movement training,

progressing from fire team to squad (reinforced) live fire attacks at KR-5 at Schofield Barracks. The Company's 0331s, and some 0311s, also had the opportunity to conduct a night familiarization fire with M240Gs, PAS-13s, and PVS-17s while at KR-5. During that same week, Lima Company sent ten HMMWV drivers through the weeklong Defensive Driving Course offered by Strategic Defense Initiatives (SDI). On 16 February, the Company conducted an 8-mile hike on MCBH carrying full ILBE packs. Lima Company executed Tables III and IV of the rifle range at MCBH R-9 from 21-24 February, sending one platoon per day through the range. The following week, from 26 February-1 March, Lima Company returned to Schofield Barracks to build on its MOUT skills. At the CTF MOUT facility and Shoot House, the Company improved its fire team and squad tactics in scenarios involving blanks, SESAMs, and live rounds. Weapons Platoon detached to Weapons Company effective 26 February, giving them the ability to conduct training in preparation for the upcoming crew-served weapons training package at Pohakuloa Training Area (PTA) on the Big Island.

(U) Weapons Company marked the month of February with several trips to Schofield Barracks for training in the field. It also conducted a great deal of classes on topics ranging from how to operate in a MOUT environment to Alcohol Awareness. The Company also began training for a crew served weapons shoot scheduled for March at PTA on the big island of Hawaii. The Marines of Weapons Company continued to build their unit cohesion throughout the month. Field exercises were utilized not just to instruct the Marines on proper TTP's but also to move personnel around and create the most versatile and knowledgeable layout for the Company.

(U) In February, the Battalion progressed from individual training and graduated to the fire team and squad level training. The Tactical Combat Casualty Course (TCCC) was a focus for the Companies, and a Defensive Driving Course was highlighted for all Battalion drivers. The individual, fire team and squad training was completed halfway through March with the completion of the Battalion crew serve weapons training package at Pokalua Training Area (PTA), Hawaii. The second half of March was focused on squad and platoon level training. The Battalion had a counter Improvised Explosive Device (IED) and Foreign weapons package, and finished with Company squad evaluations. On 22 March, the Battalion continued physical conditioning with a 10-mile hike.

(U) From 5 - 9 March, H&S Company conducted Tables III and IV, Casualty Assistance Correspondence Officer (CACO) training, and a Ground Specialist Course. The H&S crew served weapons teams participated in the Battalion's crew served weapons training at PTA from 12 through 18 March. The outgoing H&S Company Commander, (b) (6), (b) (3) 130b (b) (6), (b) (3) 130b conducted a change of command ceremony with the incoming Company Commander, (b) (6), (b) (3) 130b on 23 March.

(U) India Company began the month of March with a difficult and demanding live fire event that challenged the Marines to engage targets at unknown distance with an M203 grenade launcher and the M249 squad automatic weapon. This exercise was successful in building the Marines' confidence in their weapon systems and applying correct marksmanship practices. The Marines of India Company also received some tremendous foreign weapons training. This opportunity allowed all Marines to

receive hands-on-training with weapons currently employed by the enemy. Drivers in the Company received "defensive drivers" education that enhanced their ability to react to difficult situations while simultaneously driving an armored HMMWV. India Company concluded the month with a rigorous and tiring squad evaluation that pushed the Marines to their limits and beyond. Squads were tasked to conduct urban patrols and vehicle convoys with difficult scenarios that forced the squad and fire team leaders to react quickly to changing environments.

(U) The month of March was a busy one for the Marines and Sailors of Kilo Company. All platoons in the Company participated in Tables III and IV live fire, a requirement for annual marksmanship training. Those Marines designated as SAW gunners were also able to BZO their weapons and participate in a qualification course. Kilo Company, Weapons platoon participated in nine days of crew served weapons training at PTA. Temporarily attached to Weapons Company, the Weapons platoon Marines carried out several ranges involving machine gun and mortar shoots. All Fire Teams within the Company, to include Weapons platoon, were evaluated in a live-fire exercise on R-5, aboard MCBH. This training was a great predecessor to the squad fire and maneuver exercise at KR-5, aboard Schofield Barracks Hawaii. Both events were great training and seen as competition between the Marines.

Lima Company progressed to a 4-mile hike with ILBE packs and full PPE on 9 March, and then conducted a 5-mile hike with the same gear list on 30 March. Lima Company continued to train for its anticipated Iraq missions throughout March. The news that the deployment would be in July vice October significantly compressed the training timeline and accelerated the Company's training tempo. Weapons Platoon received extensive training while at PTA from 9-17 March, and the performance of its sections set the standard for the rest of the battalion. From 12-14 March, 1st Platoon conducted patrolling training across MCBH, and 3d Platoon conducted vehicle checkpoint (VCP), cordon and search, and duration patrolling operations at MCTAB. The battalion provided several blocks of training over the final two weeks of the month in counter-improvised explosive device tactics, threat weapons, and Iraqi culture and language, improving the Marines' grasp of the current situation in Iraq and our upcoming deployment. From 28-30 March, Lima Company completed the first phases of its squad evaluations aboard MCBH. The evaluations included graded stations such as call for fire, the Indoor Simulated Marksmanship Trainer (ISMT), crew-served weapons handling, communications, casualty treatment, casualty evacuation (CASEVAC), a double obstacle course, and a 5-mile hike.

(U) In March, Weapons Company traveled to the island of Hawaii for a Battalion level crew served weapons shoot. This required additional training time prior to the shoot as well as maintenance time on the return. The entire Company traveled to the other island and conducted a successful field exercise honing their skills as machine gunners, mortar men, and anti armor rocket men. The Marines of Weapons Company wasted no time upon their return from training on the other island. They moved immediately from cleaning gear from to the next evolution of training, which was a trip to Portar Village and the Convoy course at Schofield. This training provided time to practice and improve MOUT and mounted patrolling tactics.

(U) In the month of April, Headquarters and Service Company (H&S) continued supporting the Battalion in preparation for the upcoming deployment to Twenty-Nine Palms, and the follow on deployment to OIF 06-08. During the week of April 02-08, Marines from the H&S guard force platoon completed the combat lifesaver course, and conducted live fire training at MCBH R-9 as part of a battalion sponsored squad evaluation. During the week of April 9-13 H&S Company completed HQMC mandated annual training in the areas of Sexual Harassment, Hazing, Suicide Prevention, and Law of Armed Conflict. Following annual training, H&S Company conducted the last iteration of Tables III&IV live fire training at MCBH R-9 for all Marines who had not completed the training. During the week select Marines were pulled from the Company to attend a Blue Force Tracker class in order to enhance the units mounted operation capabilities. During the same week S-3 and S-6 conducted a battalion combat operations center (COC) exercise at the Army Schofield Battle Lab in preparation for the upcoming battalion sponsored platoon evaluation. The week of April 9-13 ended with live fire training at Schofield Barracks' KR-5 Squad Assault range and Grenade House for the H&S guard force platoon. During the week of April 16-20 H&S participated in a battalion wide dental stand down in preparation for the upcoming deployment. The end of April brought about a battalion sponsored platoon evaluation combined with a COC exercise. Marines and Sailors from H&S Company both supported and participated in realistic counter insurgency training at the Schofield Barracks MOUT Town. The exercise gave Marines and Sailors a taste of what daily life in Iraq will be like, as Arab Speaking Iraqi immigrants were flown in to support training and add realism.

(U) Throughout April, India Company devoted most of its time to developing and enforcing "brilliance in the basics" at the squad level. April was also utilized to identify company-wide deficiencies and skills the Marines needed to remediate before the battalion's Platoon Evaluation at the end of the month. India began April with a three-day field exercise at Schofield Barracks. Utilizing Porter Village and the East Ranges, India conducted 24-hour duration operations. Missions ranged from night counter-IED ambushes along Centerline Road in the East Ranges, to urban cordon and searches and satellite patrol techniques during the day. Platoon commanders were tasked with establishing combat outposts within Porter Village from which they ran squad patrols and planned for a platoon size cordon and search at a designated target in the East Ranges. After a couple days in the rear to refit, India moved back to Schofield Barracks for two days to train at the Grenade House from 08-09 April. There, the Marines from India learned and practiced the fundamentals of grenade employment in rooms and hallways. As each platoon executed the grenade house one squad at a time, the other platoons conducted concurrent training. Concurrent training included 0311 cross training on 0331/41/51 weapon systems, Iraqi language classes with Marines who had already deployed, and proper radio reporting procedures taught by the Company S6 reps.

(U) After an administrative week in garrison, India Company returned to the East Ranges at Schofield Barracks for mounted patrol training from 17-19 April. Each platoon from the Company was assigned one day to review, harden, and establish platoon and Company mounted patrol SOPs and TTPs. After a few days back at MCBH Kaneohe Bay for planning revisions and gear inspections, India once again returned to Schofield Barracks to participate the Platoon Evaluation. The Platoon Evaluation

was conducted at the CTF MOUT facility within Schofield Barracks. Initially, squad leaders were the ones being evaluated on their ability to communicate, coordinate, and execute IA drills and sensitive site exploitation. The platoon commanders were later evaluated on their abilities to communicate, coordinate and execute urban operations. A DoD contractor ran the evaluation. The contractors brought in Iraqi-Americans to play the roles of village sheik, police chief, Iraqi homeowner, or the average Iraqi insurgent. This contracted training exercise was the most realistic training the junior Marines of the Company had experienced up to this point. In conclusion, the Platoon Evaluation was successful at revealing to both the Marines and their leaders the weaknesses of the Company and those areas in need of the most remediation.

(U) During this month, Marines of Kilo Company participated in a company-size, squad evaluation at Porter Village, Schofield Barracks, Hawaii. The evaluation focused on immediate actions to sniper fire, Improvised Explosive Device (IED) attacks, cordon and search, and detainee operations. At the end of the month, Kilo Company Marines participated in a battalion-size, platoon evaluation at the CTF MOUT facility aboard Schofield Barracks, Hawaii. Here, Marines underwent realistic training complete with Rocket Propelled Grenade (RPG) attacks, IED attacks and Vehicle Borne IED attacks. Throughout the exercise, Marines had overwhelming positive feedback for the training scenarios. April also saw Kilo Marines conducting independent, platoon size training at Marine Corps Training Area Bellows. Here platoons focused on squad-size mounted and dismounted patrolling, as well as the use of a Quick Reaction Force (QRF).

(U) The high tempo of the training schedule gave Lima Company an opportunity to build upon the training of the previous quarter and prepare for the upcoming training exercise, Mojave Viper. The month of April saw the continuance of Pre-Deployment training with an emphasis on squad and platoon level skills. From 3-5 April the Company conducted the final phases of its squad evaluations at Marine Corps Training Area Bellows (MCTAB). The Company occupied Building 700 and conducted continuous firm base operations, evaluating squads in the areas of mounted and dismounted patrolling, preparation for combat, quick reaction force procedures, reaction to snipers and improvised explosive devices (IEDs), standing posts, detainee handling, and building clearing. Senior Marines evaluated the squads and these scores were combined with scores from the previous week in order to rank the squads.

(U) From 10-12 April Lima Company returned to MCTAB and conducted continuous firm base operations from Building 700. The company's non-deployable Marines acted as the opposition force, planting IEDs and carrying out attacks on the firm base and patrols. Other Marines filled roles as sheikhs, imams, and ordinary civilians who were neutral or friendly to the Marines' presence. While patrolling in the training areas, Marines gathered intelligence about the insurgency and made detentions based on targeting packages compiled by the Company's intelligence cell. After the Company conducted a relief in place with Weapons Company on 12 April it established a bivouac area and held a Warrior Night. Chow was delivered from MCBH and (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b former Sergeant Major of 3/3, attended as guest speaker.

(U) On 20 April, Lima Company departed for Schofield Barracks in order to conduct three days of live fire training. The first day was spent rehearsing squad fire and movement with dry runs on KR-5. On 21 and 22 April, the Company split between KR-5 and the Grenade House. At KR-5 the Company conducted live fire squad attacks reinforced by a machine gun squad. At the Grenade House squads cordoned off the objective before executing live fire room clearing while employing fragmentation grenades. From 25-29 April Lima Company participated in the battalion-run platoon evaluations. Unit leaders were evaluated in their proficiency in call for fire and close air support procedures, and M203 and M249 gunners fired Table IV on the rifle range. The focus of the evaluations, however, was the lanes at Schofield Barracks CTF MOUT facility. Squads and platoons were evaluated in a variety of scenarios in an urban environment, testing their ability to carry out convoys and react to snipers and IEDs. Marines were also evaluated on their ability to execute a cordon and search and gather intelligence from the population.

(U) Throughout the month of April, Weapons Company spent time evaluating the Platoons to identify their strengths and weaknesses. This was done to provide guidance on areas that needed improvement with enough time to correct any deficiencies prior to Mojave Viper in June. The month of April began with classes on Blue Force Tracker (BFT) as well as C2PC. These were provided for COC essential personnel. Other classes included a sensitive site exploitation and IED class conducted by EOD. Weapons Company also sent two Marines to Camp Lejeune for a month of advanced language training. NBC Marines gave a threat and protective measures class to the Company as part of their annual training. A relief in place (RIP) was conducted with Lima Company at the beginning of a four-day field evolution at MCTAB. The focus of this field evolution was to strengthen both mounted and dismounted patrolling techniques against an opposing force. During this time the scout sniper platoon conducted stalking training in the Kahukus by utilizing 3D Radio Battalion who also happened to be training in the area. The prior coordination with this other unit allowed the scout snipers a more realistic means to practice and perfect their craft. Both section and platoon evaluations were conducted during the month of April. These were conducted at the CTF/MOUT facility at Schofield Barracks. A SNCO and Officer evaluated the sections within the Company in order to give the sections a solid assessment of their strengths and weaknesses. This better prepared them for the platoon evaluations that were overseen by SNCO's and Officers from other Companies. Both provided excellent feedback to the Company on where it stood with regards to combat readiness.

(U) During the week of 1 - 5 May, Marines from H&S Company received their gear issue from the Combined Issuing Facility (CIF). Marines received new gear including ballistic eye protection, lightweight Kevlar helmets, and the improved Modular Tactical Vest (MTV) with enhanced SAPI protection. During this week H&S Company conducted an armory stand down, during which time all weapons and serialized gear were drawn from the armory and inspected to ensure cleanliness, functionality, and SL-3 complete gear. The week of 6-12 May included an administrative and medical stand down during which time the S-1 shop audited the personal records of every Marine and Sailor in the battalion. During the latter half of the week the H&S Guard Force Platoon (GF) conducted a Mounted/Dismounted Patrol Exercise at Marine

Corps Training Area Bellows in Hawaii. During this evolution Marines and Sailors of the GF platoon received periods of instruction in convoy operations, mounted patrolling, mounted immediate action drills, patrolling TTP's, FOB operations, and sensitive site exploitation. The week of May 13 - 19 included the semi annual inventory PFT, annual NBC training, and Information Operations Brief for the Marines and Sailors of H&S Company. This week also began the Battalion equipment embark for the Mojave Viper 11-07 pre deployment exercise in 29 Palms. H&S Company personnel embarked stock weapons, communications gear, supply gear, and all other gear necessary to conduct training at the Marine Corps Air Ground Combat Training Center.

(U) India Company began May with the final live fire range before Mojave Viper. India Company utilized this time to ensure all weapons and optics were zeroed. As platoons executed the course of fire, the other platoons seized this opportunity for concurrent training. This concurrent training focused on Call for Fire, 0311 cross-training on 0331/41/51 weapon systems, Arabic language classes and communications gear trouble-shooting.

(U) India Company conducted dismounted and mounted patrolling operations at CTF MOUT town from 8-10 May. This evolution focused on Patrol Base operations as well as Convoy operations. During this field op, instructors from Tacticor also taught valuable techniques that India Company will use and carry into Mojave Viper and the upcoming deployment. The Tacticor trainers focused on personnel search, vehicle search, personnel detainment and sensitive sight exploitation techniques along with basic police style functions. The Marines of India Company had positive comments and enjoyed learning some different techniques to help them in their operations.

(U) The week of 14-18 May was filled with Battalion Classes and preparation for Mojave Viper. During this time, the Marines of India Company received instruction on counter-IED, Dragon eye and first aid. India Company also used this time to complete administrative tasks and prepare for Mojave Viper. The next week, 21-25 May, served as the last week to prepare and pack for movement to Mojave Viper. India Company gear was embarked, personal gear was inspected and packed and the Marines received safety class before the Company headed for 29 Palms.

(U) During the month of May, Kilo Company Marines were busy training and preparing for the upcoming Mojave Viper training exercise; this included the completion of all administrative and legal requirements prior to the Company's upcoming deployment. April also saw the change of command of Kilo Company from (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b on 4 May 2007.

(U) The Marines of Kilo Company went to the field during the second week of May to conduct a live-fire, squad fire and maneuver range aboard Schofield Barracks, Hawaii. The range tested the Marines' ability to coordinate the use of direct fires during the assault of the objective. The Marines were also tested during the nighttime execution of the range with the aide of Night Vision Goggles (NVGs) and bore sighted lasers (PEQ 2As).

(U) On 22 May 2007, the first group of Marines from Kilo Company arrived at Marine Corps Air Ground Combat Training Center, 29 Palms,

California for the execution of Mojave Viper 11-07. The Marines from Weapons Platoon were able to fire their M153 SMAWs and register their 60mm mortars and 240B machine-guns. On 26 May 2007, the main body of Marines from Kilo Company arrived. Following a few days of introductory classes, the Marines began white space training at various static and maneuver ranges, to include squad fire and movement and an AT-4 shoot.

(U) In the month of May, the high tempo of the training schedule gave Lima Company an opportunity to build upon the training of the previous quarter and prepare for Mojave Viper. Lima Company was successful in completing its pre-deployment administrative and annual training requirements before the Company departed for Twenty-nine Palms. The month of May saw the continuance of Pre-Deployment Training with an emphasis on platoon level skills. The Company also received training in specialized skills from civilian contractors. On 1 and 2 May the Company conducted all required annual training classes and completed SRB/OQR audits. From 3-4 May, contractors from Tacticor trained the Company in vehicle/personnel searches and sensitive site exploitation (SSE).

(U) From 8-10 May Lima Company occupied Building 700 at Marine Corps Training Area Bellows (MCTAB) and conducted continuous firm base operations with additional training conducted by Tacticor. The Company's non-deployable Marines acted as the opposition force, planting IEDs and carrying out attacks on the firm base and patrols. Other Marines filled roles as Sheikhs, Imams, and ordinary civilians who were neutral or friendly to the Marines' presence. While patrolling in the training areas, Marines gathered intelligence about the insurgency and made detentions based on targeting packages compiled by the Company's intelligence cell. Lima Company also employed an attached Scout/Sniper Team in an intelligence, surveillance, and reconnaissance (ISR) role. Throughout the training, Tacticor evaluated the Marines on their execution of SSE and personnel and vehicle search procedures. Following the Company's return from the field, the Marines received a Mojave Viper introductory brief.

(U) From 14-18 May Lima Company attended Battalion classes and completed more of its annual training requirements. The Marines in the Company intelligence cell received advanced training on the Dragoneye unmanned aerial vehicle at Schofield Barracks. Sixteen Marines were selected to attend the weeklong Combat Lifesavers class conducted by 3/3's BAS. Selected Marines were also able to receive advanced Arabic language training. The remainder of the Company attended classes on counter-IED TTPs and information operations. On 18 May the Company completed its gas chamber training.

(U) On 21 May the Company's ADVON departed MCBH en route to Twenty-nine Palms for Mojave Viper. The advance party included Weapons Platoon's 0331s and 0341s along with the Company Executive Officer, Company Gunnery Sergeant, and Company Police Sergeant. From 24-27 May the advance party conducted live fire machine gun and mortar training on Ranges 106 and 113. The remainder of the Company completed administrative tasks at MCBH before arriving at Twenty-nine Palms on 26 May. Lima Company attended pre-Mojave Viper classes on 28 May and conducted live fire training from 29-31 May. On 29 May Lima Company executed a 300 meter BZO and day/night unknown distance training at

Ranges 1 and 1A. On 30 May the Company's non-0331s conducted machine gun training at Range 113 and all Marines conducted MOUT and shotgun familiarization at Range 111. On 31 May Lima Company executed live fire squad sized fire and movement on Range 107 and fired M203s, SMAWs, LAAWs, and AT-4s on Range 104.

(U) Throughout the month of May the main focus of Weapons Company was preparing for Mojave Viper. The month began with classes on FSCC procedures for all FiST and Battalion FSCC personnel. This training centered on how to plan for fires in a deliberate attack and then control those fires during the assault. The MAP's conducted a round robin of Tacticor and VCCT training. The Tacticor classes dealt with such issues as SSE, vehicle searches, and on scene detainee questioning. The VCCT is located at Schofield and allows the Marines to run mounted combat patrols in a computer-simulated environment. Both of these training evolutions proved to be very valuable training for the Marines.

(U) Weapons Company Marines continued with their ongoing language training. A combat lifesavers course was given to increase the effectiveness of the unit's ability to respond to a casualty. The scout sniper platoon conducted urban hide training. The entire Company attended a counter IED class that briefed the latest enemy TTP'S and methods of defeating them. With the growing importance of Information Operations (IO) a series of classes was given to strengthen the unit's ability to disseminate facts to the local populace. All of the TOW gunners attended a class on the new ITAS. We will be the only unit in theatre to possess this new capability and the Marines received a weeks worth of instruction on how to operate the system and what it can do for them. The month of May concluded with Weapons Company traveling to 29 Palms, California accompanied by the Weapons Platoons from the line companies to conduct live fire crew served weapons training prior to commencing with Mojave Viper.

(U) May 28 marked the arrival of 3rd Battalion, 3rd Marines main body to Marine Corps Air Ground Training Center in 29 Palms, CA. After the arrival of the Battalion to Camp Wilson, all Marines and Sailors received a pre-training in-brief consisting of periods of instruction in desert survival, UXO safety, environmental awareness, IED defeat, high risk capture, Iraqi cultural training, enemy threat TTPs, intelligence and electronic warfare, detainee operations, and medical classes. Battalion SNCOs and Officers received instruction in range safety officer certification, counter insurgency operations, medical classes, COC operations and expeditionary air support.

(U) H&S Company more than doubled its size when the battalion met its attachments in Camp Wilson. Attachments included a Tank Platoon, Truck Platoon, Engineer Platoon, AAV Platoon, Human Tracker Dog Handling Team, Radio Battalion Detachment, Human Exploitation Team, and Artillery Forward Observers; bringing H&S Company's total personnel count to 416 Marines and Sailors. During the week of June 3-9 Marines and Sailors from H&S Company both supported and participated in the running of several live fire ranges from individual level to Company level. The Guard Force platoon was attached to Kilo and Lima Companies and participated in all live fire training during the combined arms portion of the Mojave Viper Exercise. H&S sections supported the line Companies by providing transportation to and from ranges,

communications support, class III, IV, and V re-supply, and range personnel support. Following 400 series ranges the Truck Platoon and Battalion Commander's JUMP Platoon began preparations for the live fire Mobile Operations Convoy Course.

(U) The week of June 10-16 brought about the culminating live fire events of the combined arms training portion of Mojave Viper, the Battalion reinforced Deliberate Assault Course (DAC). On 10 June the majority of H&S Company moved to the DAC assembly area to set up forward command and control, and logistics centers. The communications platoon established a re-transmission site in the vicinity of Lead Mountain to permit effective communication with the rear area. On June 12 Truck Platoon and JUMP Platoon conducted the live fire Mobile Operations Course, evaluating their TTPs in several realistic convoy scenarios. The first live fire run of the DAC began on 13 June with India Company, followed by two additional iterations with Kilo Company and Lima Company on 14 and 15 June. H&S supported the entire evolution with class III, IV and V re-supply, communication services, and a forward Battalion Aid Station (BAS).

(U) The week of 17-23 June marked the beginning of the Urban Warfare Training Package with lane training for the JUMP, Trucks, and Guard Force Platoons. Lane training consisted of five lanes spaced out over five days, focusing on cordon and searches, infantry and tank integration, urban assault, mounted patrolling, and VCP's. The Guard Force Platoon was again attached to the line Companies to ensure proficiency in infantry TTPs. On 23 June 3D Marines Regimental Commander, Colonel White arrived in Camp Wilson. On 24 June 3D Marines Division Commander, Major General Neller arrived in Camp Wilson to observe training. The week of 24-29 June was designated for the UWTC final exercise (FINEX) preparation and execution. The FINEX began at 0700 on 25 June and lasted until 0530 on 28 June. H&S Company supported the battalion with logistical re-supply convoys, a communications re-transmission site, a forward medical aide station and rear battalion aid station. The battalion COC was evaluated during the entire evolution as MSELs were injected at lower unit levels and reported to a simulated regimental COC. 28 June marked the end of the FINEX with all units retrograding from independent FOB's to Camp Wilson. An after action review was conducted in which the battalions ability to conduct combat operations was assessed, along with H&S Company's ability to provide combat support. A Warrior's Night was held on the evening of 28 June for all hands, marking the end of the Mojave Viper Training evolution. The end of June was marked by the battalion re-deployment to MCBH.

(U) June began with India Company deploying to MCAGTF-29 Palms, California for exercise Mojave Viper. India Company began Mojave Viper with live fire ranges that allowed Marines ample time to fire all weapon systems organic to an infantry Company. Range week included: M16, M203, M249 and M240 zeroing. After completing all zeros and familiarization courses of fire, India Company returned to Camp Wilson to reset and refit for combined arms training. The Combined Arms Training Course (CAT-c) portion of Mojave Viper focused on integration of supporting arms into platoon and Company level operations. During this period the Marines of India Company had the opportunity to work and train with Artillery, AAVs, Tanks and close air support from both rotary and fixed wing aircraft. The month of June ended with the

Marines of India Company participating in the Urban Warfare Training Course (UWT-c) that focused on military operations in urban terrain. This period commenced with lane training that taught Marines the correct way to conduct vehicle checkpoints, urban assaults, sensitive site exploitation, mounted patrolling, immediate action drills and tank-infantry integration. The UWT-c portion of training concluded with a three-day final exercise that challenged India Company to conduct a wide variety of operations that are common during combat operations.

(U) On 26 May 2007, the main body of Marines from Kilo Company arrived at Marine Corps Air Ground Combat Training Center, 29 Palms, California for the execution of Mojave Viper 11-07. Following a few days of introductory classes, the Marines began white space training at various static and maneuver ranges, to include squad fire and movement and an AT-4 shoot. On 6 June 2007 Kilo Company executed Range 410A, a platoon live-fire attack on an enemy obstacle system. The three line platoons utilized 60mm mortars, M240B machine-guns and M153 SMAWs to aid in their attack. The range challenged the Marines to incorporate the use of combined arms at the platoon level. On 9 June 2007 the Marines of Kilo Company executed Range 400, a company size, live-fire attack on three different objectives. The Company utilized battalion 81mm mortars and M2 heavy machine-guns in addition to its own Company 60mm mortars and M240B machine-guns. On 12 June 2007 Kilo Company executed the Deliberate Assault Course, a simulated Battalion (-) attack on three different objectives utilizing close air support, artillery, mortars, machine guns and mechanized assets. On 18 June 2007 Kilo Company began the Urban Warfare Training Center portion of Mojave Viper. This portion consisted of seven days of urban lane training followed by a three-day final exercise.

(U) During the Combined Arms Training Center (CATC) portion of Mojave Viper at Twentynine Palms, California, Lima Company conducted live fire ranges that trained and evaluated its skills at the individual, squad, platoon, and Company levels. During the Urban Warfare Training Center (UWTC), Lima Company occupied a firm base and attended a week of lane training prior to a three-day FINEX.

(U) During June, Weapons Company took part in exercise Mojave Viper. The month of June began with the Company conducting crew served weapons training in 29 Palms, California. Once the crew served weapons training was complete the Company began to focus on other infantry skills and weapons systems. Urban live fire training was conducted with a shotgun shoot. Scout snipers conducted a live fire range to test and become more proficient with the XM-3's. As the Battalion began to conduct the combined arms training Weapons Company operated in a more traditional role providing 81mm mortar support and anti-armor and heavy guns support. CAAT platoon traveled to TA Quackenbush and ran a TOW range for anti-armor training. Weapons Company provided scout snipers to observe mortar fire, gather intelligence, and prosecute targets of opportunity with accurate direct fire while the rest of the Company provided heavy guns and 81mm mortar support on range 400 for all the line Companies. Concurrent with this the Company was also able to conduct the mobile operations course. In addition the Company also took the lead on the FSCEX for all Company FiSTs. Weapons Company took part in the Deliberate Assault Course for all three line

Companies and provided 81mm mortars and anti-armor assets as well as scout sniper teams to observe fires, and gather intelligence. The month of June concluded with Weapons Company switching to a role as a Mobile Assault Company. As the Battalion exited the combined arms training portion and entered into COIN operations the Company was able to quickly reconfigure itself into this new layout. Weapons Company then continued it's training with classes and practical application inside R215 MOUT facility. Once the FINEX, a three day 24 hour scenario began, Weapons Company operated in direct support on the Battalion providing route security, Battalion QRF, EOD security, as well as additional mobile assets to the line Companies.

(U) In these six months the Battalion underwent many changes in personnel and leadership. The upcoming deployment was moved up and time to train was abbreviated due to that fact. Despite all these obstacles to train and shape the Marines, every Company met the increasing demands placed on them. Because of this disciplined drive for perfection and success the Battalion returned from Mojave Viper ready for the upcoming deployment in support of OIF.

(U) Personnel and Administration

In addition to its daily administrative and personnel duties, the S-1 Section ensured all combat related awards were processed and awarded by higher headquarters so that they receive the recognition they deserved for their service. The S-1 also received and distributed all incoming mail and packages ensuring the well-being of the Battalion's morale.

(U) Legal Action

The Commanding Officer, 3rd Battalion, 3rd Marines, is the Special Courts Martial Convening Authority. The following legal proceedings were conducted concerning Marines and Sailors of this Battalion:

General Courts Martial.....	0
Special Courts Martial.....	2
Summary Courts Martial.....	7
Non-Judicial Punishment.....	57
JAG Manual Investigation.....	13
Administrative Discharge (non-EAS).....	7

(U) Awards

The following numbers of awards were presented to Marines and Sailors of 3d Battalion, 3d Marines:

Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal and senior.....	6
Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal.....	24
Certificate of Commendation.....	2
Meritorious Mast.....	33

The following Marines were awarded the Hawaii Medal of Honor posthumously by the Hawaii State Senate and Hawaii State House of Representatives in a ceremony held on April 16, 2007. The Hawaii Medal of Honor was created to honor the heroism of members of Hawaii's armed forces and is awarded on behalf of the people of the State of Hawaii to

individuals who have been killed in action while serving our country as part of Operation IRAQI FREEDOM and Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Cpl Andres Aguilar, Jr.	20 May 1984 - 4 April 2006
SSgt Jason C. Ramseyer	21 October 1977 - 20 April 2006
Cpl Eric R. Lueken	25 February 1983 - 22 April 2006
LCpl Adam C. Conboy	9 August 1984 - 12 May 2006
LCpl Jose S. Marin Dominguez, Jr.	19 April 1984 - 14 May 2006
LCpl Hatakyukak M. Yearby	11 March 1985 - 14 May 2006
Sgt David R. Christoff	22 January 1981 - 22 May 2006
LCpl William J. Leusink	23 February 1985 - 22 May 2006
Cpl Michael A. Estrella	25 August 1985 - 14 June 2006
LCpl Ryan A. Miller	9 October 1986 - 14 September 2006
Cpl Yull Estrada Rodríguez	5 January 1985 - 20 September 2006

(U) Logistics

The S-4 section was responsible for successfully supporting the battalion during its preparation for the upcoming deployment to Iraq in support of the OIF. In early March the Battalion conducted a crew-served weapons shoot at PTA on the Island of Hawaii. In support of this evolution the S-4 embarked and transported (37) pieces of rolling stock, (16) short tons of equipment/cargo and (305) personnel. Collectively the S-4 supported/conducted (12) convoys, conducted (20) quick fix repairs, (28) regular repairs, and (10) vehicle recoveries.

During the month of April the S-4 section supported various training evolutions in support of the battalion to include Platoon Evaluations aboard Schofield Barracks. The support provided included all Class I, V, and maintenance contact support for the duration of the exercise. The S-4 section also started the tedious process of turning over all motor transport, communications, and crew-served weapons to the Regiment before the deployment to Mojave Viper and follow-on to OIF.

In May, the S-4 section planned and executed the embarkation of the battalion to 29 Palms, CA for Mojave Viper 11-07 to include movement of over (1,100) Marines and Sailors and (36) short tons of equipment/cargo. During Mojave Viper 11-07 the S-4 section was responsible for all logistical support. In support of this evolution the S-4 section conducted a cumulative total of the following: total runs (788), miles driven (39,484), fuel consumed (9,515) gallons, pax transported (10,014), cargo driven (273,395) lbs, vehicles repaired (66), vehicles recovered (20), fuel delivered (21,000) gallons, water delivered (185,000) gallons. At the end of June when the exercise was completed, the S-4 section planned and executed the retrograde of all personnel and cargo back to MCB Hawaii.

(U) Battalion Aid Station

During the first half of 2007, the Battalion Aid Station (BAS) for 3d Battalion, 3d Marines pursued multiple training variations for Marines and Hospital Corpsman. The BAS conducted three Combat Life Saver (CLS) courses for Marines, three Tactical Combat Casualty Courses (TCCC) and two sick-call screener classes for Hospital Corpsman. A complete review of medical readiness was conducted in January 2007 and Company size immunization shot calls ensured medical readiness. Two dental stand

downs increased the dental readiness to 99% prior to departure for Mohave Viper training in 29 Palms California in June. Pre-Deployment Physical Health Assessments (PDPHA), mandatory smallpox and anthrax vaccinations, were completed during the last 90 days prior to deployment. The Corpsman focused on Company level medical training in June during Mojave Viper and completed in-depth refresher training covering self-aid and buddy aid for Marines and TCCC review for Hospital Corpsman. Planning for continued medical training for the battalion will focus on individual Marine and Hospital Corpsman basic medical skills. Mojave Viper exercised all aspects of combat service support and provided particularly valuable experience supplying and maintaining forward operating base (FOB) sized battalion aid station support in the attack. Upon the completion of the Mojave Viper exercise, the BAS was ready for the deployment and looked forward to serving alongside their Marine brethren.

SECTION III. (U) SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

1-3	January	The Battalion finished Holiday block leave.
5	January	Lima Company conducted a 3-mile hike with patrol packs aboard MCBH.
8	January	Weapons Company conducted a grunt stakes competition.
8-9	January	H&S Company conducted a convoy course and a live-fire shooting range at Schofield Barracks.
8-9	January	Lima Company 1st Platoon occupied Building 1060 for MOUT training.
8-12	January	Kilo Company conducted a Fire Team Leader's course.
8-12	January	H&S Company Coaches conducted table III and IV live fire training at MCBH.
12	January	The Battalion completed a 6-mile hike.
16	January	H&S Company conducted annual NBC training.
16	January	Weapons Company began grass week for annual rifle and pistol qualifications.
16-18	January	H&S Company completed the make-up for all annual swim qualifications.
16-19	January	Half of H&S Company conducted grass week.
16-26	January	Kilo Company conducted Marine Corps Martial Arts Program (MCMAP) training with focus on advancement to grey belt status.
17-19	January	Lima Company conducted Rifle Range Grass Week at MCBH.
19	January	India Company conducts swim qualification upgrades.
20	January	The Battalion enjoyed a family day at Bellows.
22	January	India Company begins grass week for annual rifle and pistol qualifications.
22-26	January	The remaining half of H&S Company conducted grass week, while the other half completed the rifle range.
22-26	January	Lima Company completed Rifle Range Tables I and II at Pu'uloa Range.

22 Jan -	2 Feb	Kilo Company conducted annual marksmanship training and qualification at the Poulua Rifle Range.
26	January	The Battalion completed Cultural Training Briefs at the Base Theater.
29	January	India Company began rifle qualification week.
29 Jan -	1 Feb	Lima Company conducted training in MOUT, urban patrolling, room clearing, and cordons and searches at the Schofield Barracks Porter Village, CTF MOUT facility.
29 Jan -	2 Feb	The remaining half of H&S Company completed the rifle range.
31	January	H&S Company conducted table III and IV live fire training at MCBH.
5	February	India Company conducted table III and IV live fire training at MCBH.
5	February	Weapons Company traveled to Schofield to conduct live fire training at KR5 and the Grenade house.
5-6	February	H&S Company conducted table III and IV live fire training at MCBH.
5-9	February	Lima Company conducted Tactical Combat Casualty Course (TCCC) training and Gray Belt training in MCMAP.
6-8	February	Kilo Company conducted basic Call For Fire and Iraqi language training.
8	February	H&S Company conducted table III and IV live fire training at MCBH.
12	February	Weapons Company conducted blank fire training at CTF/MOUT facility and live fire training at the Shoot house.
12-13	February	Lima Company conducted fire and movement training on KR-5 at Schofield Barracks.
12-14	February	Kilo Company conducted squad-size patrolling and MOUT training aboard MCBH. MOUT training was conducted at building 1060 using simulation rounds and practice grenades.
12-16	February	H&S Company drivers conducted the Defensive Drivers Course at LZ Westfield, MCB Hawaii.
12-16	February	Lima Company sent ten Marines through the SDI Defensive Driving Course.

13	February	India Company conducted an Urban Patrolling Exercise aboard Schofield Barracks to practice squad immediate action drills and standard operating procedures.
15	February	Kilo Company enjoyed a Family Day and picnic at the recreation area aboard MCBH.
16	February	Lima Company conducted an 8-mile hike with full ILBE packs aboard MCBH.
18-21	February	Kilo Company trained on the Live-fire ranges aboard Schofield Barracks Hawaii. Marines trained at both the live-fire shoot house and live-fire grenade house.
19	February	India Company conducted Fire Team assaults at KR-5 aboard Schofield Barracks.
20	February	Weapons Company moved to MCTAB to work on vehicle-mounted patrols.
20-21	February	H&S Company conducted a live-fire shoot house range at Schofield Barracks.
21-23	February	H&S Company conducted table III and IV live fire training at MCBH.
21-24	February	Lima Company sent one platoon per day to MCBH R-9 to complete Rifle Range table III and IV live fire training.
22	February	The Battalion completed a 10-mile hike.
26	February	India Company conducted Urban Patrolling and Convoy Operations training.
26	February	Lima Company Weapons Platoon detached to Weapons Company in order to prepare for the crew-served weapons evaluations.
26	February	Weapons Company sent 14 Marines to a defensive driving course.
26	February	Weapons Company began training to travel to the island of Hawaii for a crew serve weapons shoot.
26 Feb -	1 Mar	Lima Company conducted MOUT and urban patrolling training at Schofield Barracks CTF MOUT facility and Shoot House.
26 Feb -	9 Mar	H&S Company Crew Serve Weapons teams conduct training with Weapons Company in support of Pokuloa Training Area (PTA).

27 Feb -	1 Mar	Kilo Company practiced MOUT at Porter Village A and B aboard Schofield Barracks Hawaii.
1	March	Weapons Company conducted gun drills in preparation for the upcoming crew serve weapons shoot.
2-7	March	Kilo Company platoons conducted table III and IV live fire training at MCBH.
5-6	March	H&S Company conducted table III and IV live fire training at MCBH.
9	March	Lima Company conducted a 4-mile hike with full ILBE packs and PPE aboard MCBH.
9-11	March	The Battalions Crew Serve Weapons teams departed with Weapons Company for crew served weapons training at PTA, Hawaii.
9-17	March	Lima Company, Weapons Platoon participated in the crew-served weapons evaluations package at PTA.
10	March	Weapons Company deployed to the island of Hawaii to commence a crew serve weapons shoot.
10-16	March	Kilo Company, Weapons Platoon Marines were temporarily attached to Weapons Company and conducted PTA crew-served weapons training.
12-14	March	Lima Company, 3d Platoon conducted training for Vehicle Check Points (VCP)s, cordons and searches, and dismounted patrolling at MCTAB.
12-18	March	The Battalion's Crew Serve Weapons teams conducted live-fire training at PTA, Hawaii.
13	March	India Company conducted a live fire exercise at R-9 aboard MCBH.
19	March	India Company drivers began a defensive drivers course. Foreign weapons instruction was given to all Marines not attending drivers course.
19-22	March	H&S Company conducted a foreign weapons training course and Iraqi cultural briefs.
20-22	March	Kilo Company executed a live-fire, fire team fire and movement range.
21	March	Weapons Company, Scout Sniper Platoon conducted a screening for potential new snipers.
22	March	Weapons Company Officers provided a period of instruction to the SNCO/Off of the Battalion on the Human Dimension of Warfare.

23	March	The outgoing H&S Company Commander, (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b conducted a change of command ceremony with incoming H&S Company Commander, (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b
25-27	March	Kilo Company executed a live-fire, squad fire and maneuver range aboard Schofield Barracks Hawaii.
26	March	India Company conducted squad evaluations aboard Schofield Barracks.
26	March	Weapons Company traveled to Portar Village and the Convoy Course at Schofield for training.
26-27	March	H&S Company conducted squad evaluations.
28-30	March	Lima Company conducted the first phases of its squad evaluations aboard MCBH, to include a 5-mile hike with full ILBE packs and PPE.
29	March	Kilo Company conducted a "mock" PFT.
30	March	Weapons Company conducted a BZO range.
2-4	April	India Company executed mounted and dismounted patrolling at Porter Village and East Ranges, Schofield Barracks.
2-6	April	Kilo Company conducted company-size, firm base operations at Marine Corps Training Area Bellows. The company focused on continuous patrolling, fixed site security and COC operations.
2-8	April	Marines from the H&S guard force platoon completed the combat lifesaver course, and conducted live fire training at MCBH R-9 as part of a Battalion sponsored squad evaluation.
2-12	April	Designated personnel from Weapons Company took part in C2PC/BFT classes.
3-5	April	Lima Company completed its squad evaluations at MCTAB, conducting continuous firm base operations.
5	April	Weapons Company conducted tables IV and V live fire training as part of the section evaluation.
8-9	April	India Company conducted grenade training at Grenade House, Schofield Barracks.
9	April	H&S Company conducted tables III&IV day/night live fire training, in order to enhance short

		range shooting capabilities of Marines and Sailors.
9-10	April	H&S Company communications platoon conducts a communications exercise in which the UOC is set up in preparation for COC operations.
9-13	April	Scout Sniper Platoon conducted stalking training in Kahukus.
10-12	April	Lima Company returned to MCTAB for more firm base operations, conducting mounted and dismounted patrols against an opposition force. On the night of 12 April the company held a Warrior Night at Bellows.
10-13	April	Marines from H&S attended a Blue Force Tracker class in order to enhance the units mounted operational capabilities.
12-15	April	Weapons Company executed a relief in place (RIP) with Lima Company and conducted FOB operations at MCTAB.
14-15	April	Marines from the H&S Guard Force Platoon conducted live fire training at Schofield Barracks' KR-5 Squad Assault range and Grenade House.
14-16	April	The Battalion conducted a Marriage Retreat aboard Marine Corps Base Hawaii. Married Marines and their wives participated in various exercises to strengthen their relationships.
16	April	Weapons Company received a class on IED's and sensitive site exploitation.
17-19	April	India Company executed mounted patrol exercises at East Ranges, Schofield Barracks.
17-19	April	Kilo Company conducted platoon-size, firm base operations at Marine Corps Training Area Bellows. Platoons conducted mounted operations, fixed site security and downed vehicle recovery.
17-19	April	Weapons Company conducted a section evaluation at CTF/MOUT facility at Schofield Barracks.
20	April	H&S Company participated in the regimental change of command ceremony in which the incoming regimental commander, Col Duffy W. White assumed command of 3D Marine Regiment from Col Gregory Boyle.
20-22	April	Lima Company conducted live fire training at Schofield Barracks, to include squad

		(reinforced) attacks on KR-5 and room clearing with fragmentation grenades at the Grenade House.
23-27	April	Scout Snipers conducted MSIDS classes.
23-30	April	Marines and Sailors from H&S Company both supported and participated in realistic counter insurgency training at the Schofield Barracks MOUT Town.
24	April	Weapons Company received an NBC class.
24-27	April	The Battalion conducted platoon evaluations at the CTF MOUT facility aboard Schofield Barracks, Hawaii. Realistic training scenarios were provided for the Marines by Defense Training Systems and evaluated by members of the battalion staff.
30	April	Kilo Company conducted an administrative stand-down. Marines reviewed and updated all pertinent information within their record books as well as necessary legal documentation.
1-4	May	Lima Company completed annual training classes, SRB/OQR audits, and attended SSE classes conducted by Tacticor.
2-3	May	H&S Company conducted gear exchange at MCBH Consolidated Issuing Facility. Items received included the new Modular Tactical Vests, coyote MOLLE gear, and Ballistic Eye Protection.
2-3	May	India Company executed a weapons zero and tactical shooting course at R 5 aboard MCB Hawaii.
7	May	H&S Guard Force Platoon conducted medium machine gun training at the regimental ISMT.
7-13	May	Weapons Company conducted Tacticor training, VCCT training at Schofield, FSCC training in the CAST trainer, desert survival in preparation for Mojave Viper, and a live fire range for scout sniper platoon.
8-9	May	H&S Company conducted firm base operations at MCTAB Building 700, executing mounted and dismounted patrols and rehearsing SSE procedures under the supervision of Tacticor instructors.
8-10	May	India Company conducted Patrol Base and Convoy Operations training at CTF MOUT, Schofield Barracks.

8-10	May	Lima Company conducted firm base operations at MCTAB Building 700, executing mounted and dismounted patrols and rehearsing SSE procedures under the supervision of Tacticor instructors.
10-11	May	Kilo Company conducted KR-5, a day and night squad sized fire and maneuver range aboard Schofield Barracks, Hawaii.
14-18	May	All Companies attended Battalion level training to include Combat Lifesaver Course, Dragoneye employment training, information operations classes, Arabic language courses, counter-IED tactics, and annual NBC training.
14-20	May	Weapons Company conducted language training, combat lifesavers training, scout sniper urban hide training, CIED classes, IO classes, and ITAS training for all TOW gunners.
21-28	May	The Battalion departed for Mojave Viper at Twenty-nine Palms.
24-27	May	H&S Company Guard Force machine gunners conducted live fire training at Ranges 106 and 113.
24-27	May	Lima Company's mortarmen and machine gunners conducted live fire training at Ranges 106 and 113.
26-30	May	The remainder of H&S Company arrived at Twenty-nine Palms on Main Body Flights one, two, and three.
28 May -	3 June	Kilo Company conducted Mojave Viper lane training on seven live-fire ranges.
29	May	Lima Company completed a 300 meter BZO and day/night unknown distance firing at Range 1/1A.
30	May	Lima Company conducted machine gun live fire training at Range 113 along with shotgun familiarization fire and MOUT at Range 111.
31	May	Lima Company conducted live fire squad sized fire and movement at Range 107 along with SMAWs, AT-4s, LAAWs, and M203s on Range 104.
28 May -	3 June	Kilo Company conducted Mojave Viper lane training on seven live-fire ranges.
28 May -	4 June	India Company conducted white space ranges and weapons zero.

1	June	Lima Company trained on several simulators at Camp Wilson, including the convoy simulator, HMMWV egress simulator, MTRV simulator, and language skills evaluation.
1-3	June	Weapons Company conducted CREW, convoy, BFT, IED defeat classes.
2-5	June	India/Kilo/Lima and select Marines from H&S Company attended a series of classes and simulators at Mainside, covering subjects such as combat lifesaving, air support, call for fire, fire support planning, Fire Support Team (FiST) procedures, counter-IED, UAV employment, Blue Force Tracker use, and overviews for Range 400, Range 210, and the Deliberate Assault Course.
3-9	June	Marines and Sailors from H&S Company both supported and participated in the running of several live fire ranges from individual level to company level, to include range 107 squad deliberate attack, range 410A platoon reinforced deliberate attack, and range 400 company reinforced live fire attack.
4-15	June	India Company conducted Combined Arms Training portion of Exercise Mojave Viper
4-10	June	Weapons Company took part in a counter IED lane, BFT class, FSCEX, R400 as well as several classes regarding upcoming ranges.
6	June	Kilo Company executed Range 410A, a platoon live-fire attack on enemy fortified positions with the support of company direct and indirect fires.
6	June	India/Kilo/Lima Company's FiST conducted live fire training at Fire Support Coordination Exercise I (FSCEX) in the Quackenbush Training Area. The remainder of the company occupied Range 410A and conducted platoon (reinforced) rehearsals.
7	June	The three rifle platoons of Kilo Company, with reinforcements from Weapons Platoon, executed their live fire runs of Range 410A. The FiST teams from India/Kilo/Lima conducted additional live fire training in FSCEX IB and IU.
8	June	India/Kilo/Lima Company's FiST conducted an urban fire support exercise at the Combined Arms Staff Trainer on Mainside.

9	June	The majority of H&S Company moved to the DAC assembly area to set up forward command and control, and logistics centers. The communications platoon established a re-transmission site in the vicinity of Lead Mountain to permit effective communication with the rear area.
9	June	Execution of Range 400 by Kilo Company, a company live-fire attack on three fortified enemy positions with the support of battalion and company direct and indirect fires.
9	June	Lima Company occupies Range 400, registered its mortars and machine guns, and conducted company (reinforced) rehearsals.
10	June	Lima Company executed its live fire run on Range 400, integrating three maneuver platoons with supporting arms to include medium and heavy machine guns and medium and heavy mortars.
11	June	H&S JUMP Platoon conducted the Motorized Operations Lane Training in preparation for the live fire Motorized Operations Course.
11-17	June	Weapons Company conducted Motorized operations, live fire, and the DAC during this week.
12	June	JUMP Platoon and Truck Platoon conducted live fire runs of the Motorized Operations Course, testing their ability to execute immediate action drills against IEDs, ambushes, sniper fire, and in mass casualty scenarios.
13	June	First Platoon and Third Platoon, of Lima Company, conducted live fire runs of the Motorized Operations Course, testing their ability to execute immediate action drills against IEDs, ambushes, sniper fire, and in mass casualty scenarios.
13	June	India Company executed the Deliberate Assault Course: a live-fire, simulated battalion assault with the support of Close Air Support, artillery and battalion and company direct and indirect fires.
14	June	Kilo Company executed the Deliberate Assault Course: a live-fire, simulated battalion assault with the support of Close Air Support, artillery and battalion and company direct and indirect fires.
15	June	Lima Company executed the Deliberate Assault Course: a live-fire, simulated battalion

assault with the support of Close Air Support, artillery and battalion and company direct and indirect fires.

15	June	Marines of 1 st and 3 rd Platoons, of Kilo Company, conducted the Motorized Operations Training Package; this course tested each platoon's ability to negotiate a total of six training scenarios while mounted in vehicles.
15	June	H&S Company returned from the DAC assembly area.
16-28	June	India/Kilo/Lima Company conducted the Urban Warfare Training portion of Exercise Mojave Viper.
18	June	India/Kilo/Lima Companies occupied Forward Operating Bases 1/2/3, outside of Range 215 to begin the Urban Warfare Training Center portion of Mojave Viper 11-07.
18-24	June	Weapons Company reconfigured itself from a traditional layout to a mobile assault company with 3 mobile platoons and a scout sniper platoon. The company then took part in classes focusing on COIN operations and how to operate in a MOUT environment.
19-24	June	H&S Company JUMP Platoon, Truck Platoon, and Guard Force Platoon conducted lane training on Range 210, including training in mounted patrols, cordon and search, vehicle checkpoints, tank/infantry integration, urban assault, urban close air support, and urban casevac.
19-24	June	Marines of India/Kilo/Lima Companies conducted seven days of urban warfare lane training. The three reinforced platoons completed a series of "round-robin" training events. These included training in mounted patrols, cordon and search, vehicle checkpoints, tank/infantry integration, urban assault, urban close air support, and urban casevac.
19-24	June	India/Kilo/Lima Company's Commanders attended a series of town hall meetings and private meetings with the sheiks, mayor, and tribal leaders within Wadi al Sahara and Khalidiyah.
25-28	June	The battalion executed the UWTC FINEX in Wadi al Sahara. Over a 71-hour period, India/Kilo/Lima Company conducted the full spectrum of operations in an urban environment, covering everything from humanitarian assistance to targeted raids. The Company's

Combat Operations Center (COC) procedures are tested as the COC bears the responsibility for tracking and reporting the positions and situations for all units outside the firm base.

25-30 June

Weapons Company acting as a MAC took part in the FINEX. Gear was then cleaned and prepped for movement back to MCBH Kaneohe Bay.

30 June - 2 July

Main Body Flights 1/2/3 and Cargo departs Twentynine Palms and flew from March Air Force Base to Hickam Airfield on Oahu returning all battalion Marines to MCBH.

SECTION IV: (U) SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

ITEM	DESCRIPTION
A	Hittin' the Road: Convoy training at the East Ranges www.usmc.mil
B	Weapons Company, 3/3, trains for battle www.usmc.mil
C	3/3 Vets short circuit 3rd Radio Battalion 10-0 www.usmc.mil
D	3/3 Ramps up training The Hawaii Marine
E	Lima Company conducts Urban Patrolling The Hawaii Marine
F	Preparing for Deployment The Hawaii Marine
G	Pre-deployment Training The Hawaii Marine



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(2) Commanding General, 3d Marine Division
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Encl: (1) 3d Battalion, 3d Marines Command Chronology
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I. (U) ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

(U) Unit designation

a. Reporting Unit Code: M13130

b. Table of Organization Numbers:

- (1) 1013G Rifle Company, Infantry Battalion
- (2) 1013G Rifle Company, Infantry Battalion
- (3) 1013G Rifle Company, Infantry Battalion
- (4) 1027H Weapons Company, Infantry Battalion
- (5) 1037F Headquarters and Service Company, Infantry

c. Period covered and location:

From 1 March 2008 through 30 June 2008, MCBH, Kaneohe Bay, HI.

(U) Personnel Information

a. Commanding Officer Lieutenant Colonel Nathan I. Nastase
1 March 2008 - 16 June 2008

Lieutenant Colonel Jonathan C. Goff
16 June 2008 - 30 June 2008

b. Executive Officer Major Michel W. Monbouquette
1 March 2008 - 30 June 2008

c. Subordinate Commanders

(1) India Company (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b
1 March 2008 - 16 May 2008

(b) (6), (b)(3) 130b
16 May 2008 - 30 June 2008

(2) Kilo Company (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b
1 March 2008 - 13 May 2008

(b) (6), (b)(3) 130b
13 May 2008 - 13 May 2008

(3) Lima Company (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b
1 March 2008 - 13 March 2008

(b) (6), (b)(3) 130b
13 March 2008 - 10 June 2008

(b) (6), (b)(3) 130b
10 June 2008 - 30 June 2008

(4) Weapons Company (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b
1 March 2008 - 1 June 2008

(b) (6), (b)(3) 130b

1 June 2008 - 30 June 2008

(5) Headquarters and Service Company

(b) (6), (b)(3) 130b

1 March 2008 - 9 May 2008

(b) (6), (b)(3) 130b

9 May 2008 - 10 June 2008

(b) (6), (b)(3) 130b

10 June 2008 - 30 June 2008

d. Principal Staff Officers

(1) S-1 Officer

(b) (6), (b)(3) 130b

01 March 2008 - 09 June 2008

(b) (6), (b)(3) 130b

09 June 2008 - 30 June 2008

(2) S-2 Officer

(b) (6), (b)(3) 130b

01 March 2008 - 30 June 2008

(3) S-3 Officer

(b) (6), (b)(3) 130b

01 March 2008 - 30 June 2008

(4) Air Officer

(b) (6), (b)(3) 130b

01 March 2008 - 30 June 2008

(5) S-4 Officer

(b) (6), (b)(3) 130b

01 March 2008 - 16 June 2008

(b) (6), (b)(3) 130b

16 June 2008 - 30 June 2008

(6) S-6 Officer

(b) (6), (b)(3) 130b

01 March 2008 - 27 June 2008

(b) (6), (b)(3) 130b

27 June 2008 - 30 June 2008

(7) Chaplain

(b) (6), (b)(3) 130b

01 March 2008 - 30 June 2008

(8) Battalion Surgeon

(b) (6), (b)(3) 130b

01 March 2008 - 25 April 2008

(b) (6), (b)(3) 130b

25 April 2008 - 30 June 2008

e. Staff Historian

(b) (6), (b)(3) 130b

01 March 2008 - 30 June 2008

f. Sergeant Major

(b) (6), (b)(3) 130b

01 March 2008 - 30 June 2008

Average monthly strength (personnel chargeable and on hand):

USMC	USMC	USN	USN
Officer	Enlisted	Officer	Enlisted
48	1030	3	34

(U) Equipment:

A listing of type and number of major items of equipment assigned. As required in UNITREP reference: MCBul 3000 (Table of Marine Automated Readiness Evaluation System (MARES) Logistics Reportable Items).

TAMCN	NOMEN	SECTION	AUTH	POSS
A0425	M-DACT	COM	0	11
A1935	RADIO SET, AN/MRC-138B	COM	3	3
A1957	AN/MRC-145	COM	5	5
A2042	RADIO AN/PRC-138	COM	4	4
A2044	MBITR MARITIME VERS	COM	69	16
A2065	RADIO SET AN/PRC-104	COM	0	5
A2069	RADIO SET, UHF AN/PRC-113(V)3	COM	5	5
A2070	RADIO SET, MANPACK AN/PRC-119A	COM	36	32
A2074	AN/VRC-88D	COM	17	18
A2075	AN/VRC-89D	COM	2	2
A2079	AN/PRC-119F	COM	36	35
A2152	AV/VSQ2C (EPLRS)	COM	11	10
A2167	RADIO SET, AN/VRC-88A	COM	8	6
A2168	AN/VRC-89A	COM	2	2
A2169	AN/VRC-90A	COM	2	2
A2505	SWITCHBRD TELE, SB3614/TT AUTO	COM	1	1
A8100	CONTROL GROUP RADIO	COM	17	16
B0730	MEP-16B	ENG	2	2
D1001	TRK, AMB, 4 LIT, HMMWV 1 1/4T	MT	2	2
D1002	TRK AMB SOFT TOP HMMWV, M1035	MT	2	2
D1125	TRK HMMWV TOW CARR M1045/1046	MT	8	8
D1158	TRK CARGO, HMMWV M998/1038	MT	32	32
D1159	TRK ARMT HMMWV M1043/1044	MT	11	11
E0180	CIRCLE AIMING M2A2	ORD	4	4
E0207	JAVELIN M98A1	ORD	8	7
E0330	EQUIP SET NIGHT VIS AN/UAS-12A	ORD	8	8
E0915	SMAW	ORD	18	18

II. (U) Command, Operations, and Training

(U) The following is an account of the activities, operations, and training of 3d Battalion, 3d Marines (3/3) during the months of March through June 2008. The Battalion's main body re-deployed from Kuwait to Marine Corps Base Hawaii, February 26-28, and was greeted by the families and friends at Hanger 5. The Battalion quickly conducted a

safety brief and departed for a ninety-six hour liberty. During the week of 3 - 7 March the Battalion reconstituted and began final preparations for the Battalion Leave Period. The Battalion conducted a safety stand down and departed for a thirty day leave period which began March 13.

(U) During the leave period many Marines who did not take leave, took the opportunity to complete vehicle driver courses and complete PME courses. The Battalion returned to work on Monday April 14 and immediately began preparations for the next deployment and upcoming field training.

(U) The Pre-deployment training plan began with all companies completing annual training. This included Rifle Ranges, Swim Qualification and the Gas Chamber. The Battalion's focus for April was getting the required annual training completed and to begin preparations for field training. The Battalion also conducted a Dining Out on April 29th at the Hawaiian Hilton hotel. This was a night filled with entertainment, great food and an opportunity for the Marines of 3d Battalion 3d Marines to reflect on the past deployment and build camaraderie. Thanks to the work of the rear party, the Key Volunteers and the remain behind element, the night was a huge success.

(U) May began with all companies conducting field training and getting back into the hard work needed before a deployment. The focus of Pre-Deployment block one is at the fire team and squad level. For the Battalion to be strong overall, it needs to have strong squads and squad leaders who can carry-out the Battalion Commander's Intent. Hand and Arm signals, radio communications, basic patrolling and basic vehicle convoys are some of the training events that were being conducted.

(U) After the Memorial Day holiday, the SNCO's and Officers of 3d Battalion 3d Marines conducted Train the Trainer(T3) training. Instructors from the School of Infantry were instrumental in demonstrating and teaching all senior leadership in training plans, training ideas and new training methods to meet the changing style of modern combat. This training will help the senior leaders develop and conduct tougher training and better prepare the Battalion for the next deployment.

(U) May was also a busy month due to the amount of changeover within the Battalion. During May the Battalion conducted numerous company Change of Command ceremonies and said good by to the following leaders: (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b India Company Commander, (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b Lima Company Commander and (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b Weapons Company Commander. The Battalion would like to wish these great leaders fair winds and following seas and thanks them for their hard work during their time with 3/3.

(U) The Battalion began June by continuing field training and completing all medical, dental and administrative requirements. Annual training requirements, individual skills, and schools continued to be the Battalion's focus as they progressed through the rebuilding phase. Part of the focus has been completing Marine Corps Martial Arts Training (MCMAP) in an effort to get all Marines qualified as green belts to meet the Marine Corps Mission. Several Marines within the

Battalion completed the MCMAP Instructors course and have helped the Battalion by certifying Marines within the companies.

(U) On June 16, 2008 the Battalion conducted a Change of Command ceremony for Lieutenant Colonel Nastase and welcomed to the Battalion Lieutenant Colonel Goff. 3d Battalion 3d Marines would like to thank Lieutenant Colonel Nastase for his leadership, mentorship and dedicated service over the past two years. Lieutenant Colonel Nastase was instrumental in the success of 3/3 during the recent deployment to Iraq and will be missed greatly. 3d Battalion 3d Marines would like to welcome Lieutenant Colonel Goff to the Battalion and all members of 3/3 look forward to working with him.

(U) Personnel and Administration

During this period, in addition to its daily administrative responsibilities, the S-1 Section was also tasked with numerous duties such as Postal, Protocol, and ensuring the cleanliness of the conference room. Additionally, the Adjutant, (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b transferred to the Regiment. (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b is temporarily executing the duties as the Adjutant until the permanent Adjutant arrives in August 2008.

(U) Legal Action

The Commanding Officer, 3rd Battalion, 3rd Marines, is the Special Courts Martial Convening Authority. The following legal proceedings were conducted concerning Marines and Sailors of this Battalion:

General Courts Martial.....	0
Special Courts Martial.....	0
Summary Courts Martial.....	6
Non-Judicial Punishment.....	17
Competency Review Board.....	1
JAG Manual Investigation.....	0
Administrative Discharge (non-EAS).....	0

(U) Awards

The following numbers of awards were presented to Marines and Sailors of 3rd Battalion, 3rd Marines:

Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal and senior.....	8
Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal.....	49
Certificate of Commendation.....	131
Meritorious Mast.....	0

(U) Logistics

March kicked off with the S-4 section putting the finishing touches on the Battalion's re-deployment back to Marine Corps Base Hawaii. Immediately upon return, the section - especially the Maintenance Management Section, Ordnance Section and Motor Transportation Section - worked on identifying account discrepancies and accounting for all CMR items leading up to the Battalion taking over a new account. Upon

returning from block leave in April, the S-4 focused on internal turnover while the Motor Transport Section and Ordnance Section focused on preparing equipment for upcoming training. As Battalion training picked up in May, the Section implemented internal processes to make Logistical requirements more efficient and reliable while still supporting all Battalion training. In addition, the Section worked a mass re-organization of the Barracks in order to better accommodate the needs of the Battalion and improve overall quality of life for the Marines. While still continuing to support an aggressive Battalion training schedule in June, the Section began preparing the Battalion for Lava Viper 2008 at the Pukuloa Training Area (PTA). Although the preparation focused on embarkation, the Section also worked through various Standard Operating Procedures for PTA and future Battalion training. Finally in June, the Section began preparing in order to support the Alert Contingency MAGTF requirement bestowed upon the Battalion in July. During the quarter, safety was stressed throughout the Battalion. The Battalion conducted two operational pauses during this time, discussing critical safety issues of importance to the Marine Corps, including but not limited to vehicle safety, motorcycle operations and water safety.

SECTION III. (U) SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

3 - 7	March	The Battalion reconstitutes after deployment and begins focusing on administrative task.
10 - 13	March	The Battalion makes final preparations for block leave and dismisses for leave.
13	March	Lima Company Change of Command.
13	March	Post deployment block leave begins.
17 - 21	March	India Company Marines complete MOVAS courses, ISMT training and receive instruction in Arabic commands and language.
24 - 28	March	India Company conducts training in MCMAP, Patrolling techniques, Supporting Arms and Map Reading.
1 - 13	April	Designated personnel from Weapons Company take part in C2PC/BFT classes.
13	April	The Battalion returns from Post-deployment block leave.
14 - 15	April	India Company conducts annual swim qualifications.
14 - 15	April	Lima Company completes Medical/Dental Standown
14 - 30	April	Lima Company conducted basic skills training.
21 - 25	April	Kilo Company completes Medical/Dental Standown

28 - 30	April	India Company executes Grass Week in preparation for shooting Table I the following week.
29	April	3d Battalion 3d Marines Dining Out.
1 - 2	May	India Company executes Grass Week.
5 - 9	May	India Company executes Tables I and II at Pu'uola Rifle Range.
6 - 8	May	Lima Company conducted MOUT training at MCTAB
7 - 12	May	Kilo company conducts rifle range.
13	May	Kilo Company Change of Command.
13 - 15	May	India Company executes Basic Skills FEX at Marine Corps Training Area Bellows.
16	May	India Company Charge of Command.
16	May	Lima Company conducts 4 mile hike
16 - 22	May	Lima Company shot the KD range (Tables 1&2) at Pu'uola range.
19 - 21	May	Kilo Company completes Medical/Dental Standown
21	May	India Company shoots a machine gun and M249 BZO and qualification course of fire on MCBH Kaneohe Bay Range 5.
24 - 27	May	Memorial Day Weekend
26 - 30	May	India Company SNCOs and Officers attend T3 classes with training cadre from SOI-West.
28 - 30	May	Lima Company conducted Counter IED training and a PFT.
1	June	Weapons Company Change of Command.
2 - 4	June	Lima Company conducted MOUT training at CFT MOUT in Schofield
2 - 5	June	Kilo Company shoots Tables 3 and 4 aboard MCBH.
02 - 06	June	H&S Company completes Medical/Dental Standown
3 - 5	June	India Company executes Advance Basic Skills FEX at MCTAB.
9 - 12	June	India Company shoots Tables III and IV at MCBH Kaneohe Bay R5.

09 - 10	June	Lima Company completes Post Deployment Health Re-Assessment (PDHRA)
09 - 12	June	Weapons Company completes Medical/Dental Standown
10	June	Lima Company Change of Command.
10 - 13	June	Kilo Company conducts MOUT training at MCTAB.
16	June	3d Battalion 3d Marines Change of Command.
16 - 20	June	MCMAF week; Kilo Marines go from tan belt to gray belt.
16 - 17	June	Weapons Company completes Post Deployment Health Re-Assessment (PDHRA)
16 - 20	June	Lima Company Weapons Platoon conducted mortar and machine gun training at the ISMT
18 - 20	June	India Company completes Medical/Dental Standown
18 - 20	June	India Company conducts mental, dental and physical readiness assessments.
18 - 19	June	India Company completes Post Deployment Health Re-Assessment (PDHRA)
23 - 26	June	H&S Company completes Post Deployment Health Re-Assessment (PDHRA)
24 - 25	June	Kilo Company completes Post Deployment Health Re-Assessment (PDHRA)
23-27	June	Lima Company conducted a tables 3 and 4 shoot, a machine and SAW zero and table course of fire, and a fire and movement range at R-5 on MCBH.
24 - 26	June	India Company executes Patrol FEX at the Kahukus.

SECTION IV: (U) SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

ITEM	DESCRIPTION
A	Kilo Company Honors WWII Marine article, Hawaii Marine, May 7
B	A Marine's Marine article, Hawaii Marine, 23 May 2008
C	Top Chef article, Hawaii Marine, May 22
D	Course Employs Mental Approach article, Hawaii Marine, June 5

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SECTION I: ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

1. UNIT DESIGNATION: 3D Battalion, 3D Marines, 1st Marine Division, Fleet Marine Forces Pacific

a. Reporting Unit Code: M13130

b. Table of Organization Number: 1037F

2. PERIOD COVERED AND LOCATION: 1 October 09 to 31 December 09: Marine Corps Base Hawaii, Kaneohe Bay.

3. PERSONNEL INFORMATION:

a. Commanding Officer
Lieutenant Colonel Jonathan C. Goff
1 Oct 09 - 11 Dec 09

Lieutenant Colonel Jeffery C. Holt
11 Dec 09 - 31 Dec 09

b. Executive Officer
Major Eric J. Hamstra
1 Oct 09 - 23 Dec 09

Major J. J. Garcia
23 Dec 09 - 31 Dec 09

c. Subordinate Commanders:

(1) India Company:
(b) (6), (b)(3) 130b
1 Oct 09 - 31 Dec 09

(2) Kilo Company:
(b) (6), (b)(3) 130b
1 Oct 09 - 31 Dec 09

(3) Lima Company:
(b) (6), (b)(3) 130b
1 Oct 09 - 31 Dec 09

(4) Headquarters & Support Company:
(b) (6), (b)(3) 130b
1 Oct 09 - 31 Dec 09

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(5) Weapons Company:

(b) (6), (b)(3) 130b

1 Oct 09 - 31 Dec 09

d. Principle Staff:

(1) Adjutant (S-1):

(b) (6), (b)(3) 130b

1 Oct 09 - 31 Dec 09

(2) Intelligence Officer (S-2):

(b) (6), (b)(3) 130b

1 Oct 09 - 31 Dec 09

(3) Operations Officer (S-3):

(b) (6), (b)(3) 130b

1 Oct 09 - 31 Dec 09

(4) Assistant Operations Officer (S-3A):

(b) (6), (b)(3) 130b

1 Oct 09 - 31 Dec 09

(5) Battalion Gunner:

(b) (6), (b)(3) 130b

(6) Air Officers:

(b) (6), (b)(3) 130b

1 Oct 09 - 10 Nov 09

(b) (6), (b)(3) 130b

10 Nov 09 - 31 Dec 09

(7) Forward Air Controller:

(b) (6), (b)(3) 130b

5 Dec 09 - 31 Dec 09

(8) Logistics Officer (S-4):

(b) (6), (b)(3) 130b

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(9) Assistant Logistics Officer:

(b) (6), (b)(3) 130b

1 Oct 09 - 31 Oct 09

(b) (6), (b)(3) 130b

1 Nov 09 - 31 Dec 09

(10) Supply Officer:

(b) (6), (b)(3) 130b

1 Oct 09 - 31 Dec 09

(11) Maintenance Management Officer:

(b) (6), (b)(3) 130b

1 Oct 09 - 31 Oct 09

(b) (6), (b)(3) 130b

1 Nov 09 - 31 Dec 09

(12) Motor Transport Officer:

(b) (6), (b)(3) 130b

1 Oct 09 - 31 Oct 09

(b) (6), (b)(3) 130b

1 Nov 09 - 31 Dec 09

(13) Communications Officer:

(b) (6), (b)(3) 130b

1 Oct 09 - 31 Dec 09

(14) Chaplain:

(b) (6), (b)(3) 130b

1 Oct 09 - 31 Dec 09

(15) Battalion Medical Officer:

(b) (6), (b)(3) 130b

1 Oct 09 - 11 Dec 09

(b) (6), (b)(3) 130b

11 Dec 09 - 31 Dec 09

(16) Battalion Surgeon:

(b) (6), (b)(3) 130b

1 Oct 09 - 11 Dec 09

(b) (6), (b)(3) 130b

11 Dec 09 - 31 Dec 09

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d. Sergeant Major:

(b) (6), (b)(3) 130b

1 Oct 09 - 10 Dec 09

(b) (6), (b)(3) 130b

10 Dec 09 - 31 Dec 09

4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

	<u>USMC</u>		<u>USN</u>		<u>TOTAL</u>	
	OFFICER	ENLISTED	OFFICER	ENLISTED	OFFICER	ENLISTED
Oct	46	1069	3	41	49	1110
Nov	59	1086	3	31	62	1117
Dec	55	1105	3	16	58	1121

Training & Operations

After a successful deployment to Operation Iraqi Freedom (OIF) 9.2, 3rd Battalion, 3rd Marines reconstituted and began an abbreviated and ambitious Pre-Deployment Training Plan (PTP) in preparation for its upcoming deployment to Operation Enduring Freedom 10.1. "America's Battalion" had a unique redeployment, with waves of ADVON and Main Body Marines returning to MCBH Kaneohe Bay over a period of three months. Despite the personnel changes and challenging redeployment timeline, Courses of Instruction were conducted in October, ranging from language training to Command Post of the Future software training. Numerous rifle ranges were conducted in October, training a total of 1,210 Marines. Island Viper was conducted on MCTAB Bellows and MCBH Kaneohe Bay from 7 Dec 09 to 14 Dec 09, which was a 12 day battalion field evolution focused on Block 1 training. Island Viper included Defense Systems Training, Clear Hold Build Exercise II (CHBX II) simulator training, patrol field exercises in the Kuhuku Training Area, Squad Live Fire and Movement on Range 5 on MCBH Kaneohe Bay, and Command Post training.

By the second week of December, preparations for exercises Lava Viper 10.1 and EMV had begun. Large logistical movements were planned and gear was pre-staged starting 17 December. Range Safety Officer training and safety briefs were conducted throughout the month of December in order to

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support range and training operations at upcoming training venues.

Air Shop

Immediately upon redeployment, 3rd Battalion, 3rd Marines said farewell to (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b who served as Air Officer during OIF 9.2. Taking his place on 10 Nov 09 was (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b conducted periods of instruction for the Squad Leaders Course as well as air support classes for 1st Battery, 12th Marines; an adjacent unit. (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b took part in the Predeployment Site Survey (PDSS) for Lava Viper 10.1 in December. (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b joined America's Battalion in December as a Forward Air Controller (FAC) and joined (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b in planning and executing a week-long period of instruction on Strikelink and PSS-OFF hardware and software applications. The aforementioned training ran concurrently with CHBX II, in which both officers participated.

December was a challenging month for the Air Shop, with two out of four T/O 7502s on deck. Planning and coordination was conducted for Lava Viper 10.1, to include Air Tasking Order (ATO), range coordination, and Special Instruction (SPINS). The Air Shop also coordinated upcoming PDSS for EMV and OEF.

Administration

Since redeploying from OIF, administration has been hectic. The S-1 was responsible for ensuring that over 200 Marines were sent TAD to schools or MOS-specific training. Along with that, day-to-day administrative operations were being conducted. The Battalion Adjutant graduated from Legal Officer Course in early November. Preparations for the Change of Command ceremony were some of the main points of focus during November and early December. December saw preparations for Lava Viper and completing the necessary rosters. Promotions, awards, correspondence, and legal affairs continued as normal during this time period.

1. Awards Presented to Personnel.

- a. Navy Commendation Medal: 3
- b. Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal w/"V": 0

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c. Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal: 39

2. Fitness Reports Submitted:

a. Officer: 8

b. Enlisted: 11

3. Administrative Separations:

a. Approved: 1

b. Suspended: 0

c. Pending: 0

4. Legislation and Congressional Action: 2

5. Court Martial Convened: 0

6. Promotions:

The following promotions were effected:

Major - 1
Captain - 3
Lieutenant (USN) - 0
First Lieutenant - 7
Staff Sergeant - 7
Sergeant - 9
Corporal - 37
Lance Corporal - 65
Private First Class - 2
Total - 131

7. Officers Joined: 2

8. Officers Dropped: 2

9. USMC Enlisted Joined: 54

USMC Enlisted Dropped: 13

USN Enlisted Joined: 2

USN Enlisted Dropped: 4

Intelligence

Following retrograde from OIF, the S-2 initiated training for the next deployment in support of OEF. Pashto language training was organized for 39 Marines in the battalion, and even before the entire battalion had returned from OEF, Companies released representatives to attend this training; additionally, Company Level Intelligence Cells (CLIC) Marines at Battalion were retrograded early to participate. The S-2 ordered Defense Language Institute's Language Survival Handbook for Marines to carry in theater, equipping Marines to better communicate with the local population. The S-2 also began coordinating for additional training in 2010, prior to the battalion's deployment to OEF.

Besides language and culture training, the S-2 shop worked on setting up its new office at building # 217; previous S-2's space at building 1087, the Battalion CP, was undergoing renovations.

The following Marines received awards for their performance during OIF deployment 07-09:

- (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b received a Navy Achievement Medal
- (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b received a Navy Achievement Medal
- (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b received a Certificate of Commendation
- (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b received a Certificate of Commendation
- (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b received a Certificate of Commendation

In December, the S-2 supported exercise Island Viper. The DTS scenario creation contained biographies on 14 key role players and generic biographies were created for the remaining 60 role players. CLICs played a role in the conduct of operations; however, since most CLIC personnel for each company were not identified by their companies until January, 0231s provided most of the CLIC was mostly run by the 0231 and one veteran 03xx. The emphasis for the CLICs was to practice debriefs of patrols and create a daily intelligence summary (DISUM). Despite the limited scope of the exercise, CLICs were as involved as they could be and provided key support for the exercise.

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As 2009 concluded, the S-2 prepared for the battalion's deployment to OEF. Relevant personnel from 1/3 were contacted and the S-2 was able to gain insight into how intelligence was actually being processed in-theater. 1/3's DISUMs were also studied for both emerging enemy TTPs and any key individuals which battalion would have to engage on deployment. Various intelligence products, such as the DISUM and debrief format, were retooled to fit the new emphasis on population-centric operations. In addition, the Marines of the S-2 continued to study both secret and open-source reporting on OEF, as well as books and articles on counterinsurgency. An internal distribution list was created to allow the S-2 Marines to share any relevant open-source reporting with the entire shop. Culture Smart Cards and condensed versions of Afghan insurgent tactics were ordered and distributed as made available to the company and battalion leadership. The battalion's Intellipedia page was updated with its new contact information, as well as various intelligence products on Nawa District.

Administrative support to the battalion continued to be an enduring task for the S-2. Completing ISOPREPs and handling clearances for 3/3 Marines continued to consume a portion of the S-2's daily rhythm.

Logistics, Supply, Motor Transport

October kicked off with ADVON elements of the S-4 section successfully re-deploying the Battalion back to Marine Corp Base Hawaii. In three months, the entire battalion plus attachments were back to their home stations via 22 flights. Upon returning from OIF, the battalion completed their account turnover with 1st Battalion, 3rd Marines and the S-4 focused on administrative readiness while the Motor Transport and Ordnance sections focused on preparing equipment for the upcoming training evolutions. After block leave in November, facilities worked on Bachelor Enlisted Quarters deficiencies and also moved Marines around to achieve unit integrity. The beginning of December the battalion completed its first major exercise, Island Viper. During this time S-4 also focused heavily on vehicle readiness in order to meet mission for the upcoming Lava Viper training evolution. S-4 embark was able to pack out the entire battalion in only three days.

Communications

Since the Battalion's return from OIF in October 2009 the Communications Platoon has prepared for its deployment to OEF in May 2010. One of the most relevant issues during this preparation was the turnover of approximately 70% of the Marines in the platoon including the Communications Officer, the Communications Chief, and most of the section chiefs. This has been the case not only in the Communications Platoon, but throughout most of the battalion as well. Other relevant issues were the acceptance of 1st Battalion, 3d Marines' communications gear set, the occupation of Building 212 as the communications shop, acquisition of the COM-201B VHF antennas, communications planning for three major exercises, attendance at the Mountain Communications Course for ten Marines, attendance at the TSM course for four Marines. The first order of business was to take possession of 1st Battalion, 3d Marines' communications gear set. This was done over the course of two weeks. Some of the equipment acquired was: 704 PRC-153s, 44 VRC-110s, 43 DAGR GPS systems, 30 PRC-150s, 86 PRC-148 MBITRs, and one 'F' model COC Capset. During the acquisition of 1/3's communications gear, the S-6 received the new COM-201B VHF antennas. These can be advantageous over the well-known OE-254s due to reduced installation time. They also have better radio frequency propagation qualities.

Concurrently, the communications platoon moved into Building 212. While the 1/3 Communications Platoon did much to improve this substandard building, it was still wanting in several areas. Lack of NMCI infrastructure in the building was remedied by renewing Time Warner Oceanic's contract to keep internet ports in the building. Ten Marines attended the Mountain Communications Course in Bridgeport, CA. This training was extremely advantageous as it allowed several communications Marines to get realistic training in an area that mirrors 3/3's future AO in Afghanistan.

In the first half of December, the Battalion executed the Defense Training Services (DTS) exercise. This allowed the communications Marines to execute a relatively simple operation, exercise the newly-acquired gear set, learn how a tactical communications network is set up, and learn how to maintain a network while units in the battalion were conducting operations.

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Immediately after DTS, the battalion went on approximately 3 weeks of post-deployment/Christmas block leave. For units within the battalion, such as the communications platoon, this time would have normally been used for planning the upcoming Lava Viper. All planning was done before the leave period, or during the week between the leave period and the exercise. Most of the communications planning for EMV 3-10 involved sending SIPR and NIPR accreditation packages to Tactical Training & Exercise Control Group (TTECG) personnel and to 3d Marine Division. These packages included all the authorization letters as required by Headquarters Marine Corps Command, Control, Communications, and Computers (HQMC C4), and all network diagrams outlining planned communications architecture at TTECG.

Armory

Upon return from deployment the Armory Marines received the account from 1st Battalion 3d Marines. Some large takeaways from the turnover were the disappearance of the weapons embarkations boxes, the SL-3 discrepancy, and missing gun books.

Following the turnover the Armory successfully coordinated the movement of weapons for several rifle ranges. In early November the Armory underwent a change of officer as 1stLt Arnold was replaced with 1stLt McCulloch. Shortly after turnover the Battalion did a personal optics and weapons SL-3 inventory, finding that the Battalion was short \$300,000 worth of personal SL-3. This prompted Regiment to put out an LOI requiring all Battalions on deck to conduct a full health and comfort inspection. The Battalion found roughly \$54,000 worth of SL-3 during the Health and Comfort. Recently the Battalion was given (4) M2 .50 Caliber Machine Guns from 3d Marine Regiment which brought the armory up to T/E quantity. In addition the Battalion had to relinquish its (3) PVS-24's to the MEB in Afghanistan.

CHAPLAIN

The Battalion Chaplain was essential in helping the Marines of America's Battalion following the re-deployment from OIF. (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b conducted over 15 pre-marriage counselings, preparing Marines and Sailors for the unique challenges of marriage, especially with the upcoming training and deployment schedule. (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b in addition to his daily spiritual support of the Battalion, assisted the Base Chaplain in coordinating and executing the Base Christmas religious events program.

Battalion Aid Station (BAS)

Upon redeployment to MCBH Kaneohe Bay, the BAS underwent a change of personnel comparable to the rest of the battalion. (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b handed over his position as Battalion surgeon to (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b departed the battalion in November and was replaced by (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b The BAS kept functioning daily to keep up with the pace set by the Marines and Sailors of America's Battalion, seeing an average of six Marines per day for sick call. 75 Marines were placed on light duty and there were eight mental health cases resulting in a total of 39 lost work days from 20 October 2009 to 31 December 2009. Corpsmen were on hand every day of every training exercise and venue, providing first aid and emergency medical services.

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SECTION III

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

OCTOBER

5-9 Oct 09	Rifle Range Week
5-9 Oct 09	Designated Marksman Course
19-23 Oct 09	Rifle Range Week
19-29 Oct 09	Tables 3 & 4
1-30 Oct 09	CPOF, C2PC & BFT Courses
30 Oct 09	Company Commander's Change of Command

NOVEMBER

2-6 Nov 09	Rifle Range Week
9 Nov 09	Regimental Run
18 Nov 09	Regimental PME hosted by 3/3
16-19 Nov 09	Tables 3 & 4
17-19 Nov 09	Battalion COC Training
19 Nov 09	Birthday Ball
21 Nov 09	Thanksgiving Leave block begins

DECEMBER

04 Dec 09	Thanksgiving Leave block ends
07-14 Dec 09	DTS training
07-14 Dec 09	Strikelink & PSS-SOF training
07-14 Dec 09	CHBX II
07-14 Dec 09	Patrol FEX
07-14 Dec 09	Squad Live Fire and Movement course
11 Dec 09	Battalion Change of Command
17 Dec 09	Christmas Leave block begins

Section IV:
Supporting Documents

Hawaii Marine, 23 Oct 09

The boys are back in town



Lance Cpl. Ronald W. Stauffer

Marines assigned to 3rd Battalion, 3rd Marine Regiment, are greeted by Marines, family members and Hawaiian leis, while deplaning their flight home to Marine Corps Base Hawaii during their homecoming at Hangar 105, Sunday. The battalion's main body departed Kaneohe Bay mid April in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. The Marines conducted several missions not usually conducted by an infantry battalion while in Al Asad, Iraq.

3/3 returns from Iraq

Lance Cpl. Ronald W. Stauffer
Combat Correspondent

From the first flight that landed Oct. 13 until the last flight which touched down Tuesday, relieved families and friends of 3rd Battalion, 3rd Marine Regiment, have shed tears and opened their arms upon the battalion's return from its most recent deployment to Iraq.

(b) (6)

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What may only seem like a short half-a-year to some may seem like a lifetime to others.

The battalion spent roughly six months in the scorching deserts of Al Anbar Province, Iraq, after departing Marine Corps Base Hawaii mid-April, conducting missions not usually conducted by an infantry battalion.

According to (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b 3/3 remain behind element officer in charge, the battalion's primary mission was conducting convoy security and also several other tasked missions while deployed.

"We did as much as we could, given our time and our resources," Schmide said.

Schmide said the battalion's pre-deployment training, included exercises at Marine Corps Training Area Bellows, Defense Training Systems training events, typical individual, collective, live fire events at Pohakuloa Training Area and a exercises at Marine Corps Air Ground Combat Center, Twentynine Palms, Calif.

According to (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b the battalions'

mission changed several times before their destination was finalized.

"At one point we thought we were going to Afghanistan, on and off, until right before Christmas," (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b said. "We started to find out that we weren't going to Afghanistan. We were going to Iraq."

Headquartered at Al Asad Airfield, the battalion's companies were spread throughout the country in more than eight locations conducting convoy security, border security toward the western border and certain border crossings from Syria and Jordan, as well as detainee release missions involving detained Iraqis.

(b) (6), (b)(3) 130b said Kilo Company was extremely successful at conducting personnel recovery missions. He added the entire battalion helped with the recoveries and helped families who

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never got closure when their loved ones weren't found in previous wars or engagements in Iraq.

"The most gratifying thing we were able to do is find the remains of the first casualty of the Gulf War while we were there," said Lt. Col. Jonathan Goff, 3/3 commanding officer, who returned Sunday. "That was about a weeklong mission in the middle of the desert, around an aircraft wreckage site where

we were able to find Capt. Scott Spiker's remains. That was very gratifying for the battalion."

Goff said deployments are long and difficult no matter what Marines are doing and it was satisfying for the battalion to see Iraq at this stage. "This is the world winning stage, so we got to be a part of that final victory," Goff said. "It's not finished yet, but we were a part of that end game, if you will, so that is gratifying."

Returning home plane by plane, Goff

said it's always exciting to come back home and see families again.

"Thanks to the people of the Marine Corps Base Hawaii that supported us," Goff said. "Any deployment is difficult, and we are now going to start training for the next deployment, which will be coming up again very shortly. So, it will be a very short hello as we settle back into our training routine and get ready to go out the door again."

The battalion is scheduled to deploy to Afghanistan in the middle of 2010.

www.Marines.mil, 11 Dec 09.



Unit: Marine Corps Base Hawaii

Byline: (b) (6), (b) (3) 130b

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Lt. Col. Jonathan C. Goff (right), relinquishes his command to Lt. Col. Jeffery C. Holt by passing on 3rd Battalion, 3rd Marine Regiment's battle colors during the battalion's change of command ceremony at Dewey Square Dec. 11. "America's Battalion," bid farewell to Goff, and welcomed Holt, the former operations officer for 3rd Marine Regiment. Goff has received orders to detach from the battalion and report to the commanding officer of 3rd Marine Regiment for duty until early next year when he will be assigned to U.S. Pacific Command as a Japanese, Far East expert. Within the last year, under Goff's command, 3/3 conducted Operation Task Force MP in Iraq, guarding the lines of communication and convoys traveling across the desert lands of Western Iraq.

Hawaii Marine, 11 Dec 09.

The review, 11, 2009 •



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 Mr. T. B. Whittier
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A startled, imprisoned Englishman (Dexter has hidden on a path where the Indians were travelling, listen to the left) is threatened. The Indians must call to one

The Silver Linings: The operation, said several Pentagon, State Department, and Justice officials, marks the first time the United States has been able to identify and locate a suspected terrorist in the United States.

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Know Your Role



America's Battalion
conducts training,
prepares for deployment

Cpt. Eugene H. Brown

who founded South Africa's environmental law firm, has been instrumental in promoting the concept of integrated environmental management in Angkor Wat, a massive temple complex in Angkor, Cambodia, situated in a mountainous area. South Africa's Ministry of Education and Arts, which is in charge of the site, has been instrumental in promoting the concept of integrated environmental management in Angkor Wat, a massive temple complex in Angkor, Cambodia, situated in a mountainous area.

The Masters' unusual strategy, like their very existence in antiquity, were obscured by the sole perspective of Alan Kay, whose day-to-day thinking meant, the Masters' paradigm was a single, self-contained, logical whole, which included the very definition of an individual and the very logic of the logic, proposed, based on the above ideas, in order to discover the individual's beginning, a condition, a truth, a process.

"That is obviously the route to adopt starting from condition 1, since starting the Market Crops' deal with Richard Cross, veteran, Old Company, 3rd squad, 1st platoon, and 1st Lt. 1st Co. means 'working with the platoon' provides a better opportunity for all to learn some lessons."

Once the witness provided necessary information, the lawyer (standing in the name of the state) said, "On the way home, they were found with a female MD (name redacted) and they had a good night's enjoyment in full support."

Once the FBI had been convinced the witness continued to come with willing and able sexual activity, the following information was given: "They had a female redacted (name redacted) and a male (name redacted) who was 'often' (name redacted) in the information of the classroom and his interest."

The trouble with this reasoning even in the only respect in which it seems to support a materialist conception of the mind, however, was pointed out, also some 100 years ago, by the philosopher Immanuel Kant. He said that the mind is not a passive mirror of the world, but an active participant in the process of knowing and perceiving objects in the world.



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**3D BATTALION,
3D MARINE REGIMENT**

COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

1 JANUARY 2010 – 31 MAY 2010

3D BATTALION, 3D MARINE REGIMENT

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SECTION I: ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

1. Unit Designation.

a. Reporting Unit Code: M13130

b. Table of Organization Numbers:

- 1) 1013G Rifle Company, Infantry Battalion
- 2) 1013G Rifle Company, Infantry Battalion
- 3) 1013G Rifle Company, Infantry Battalion
- 4) 1027H Weapons Company, Infantry Battalion
- 5) 1037F Headquarters and Service Company Infantry Battalion

2. Period Covered and Location. From 1 January 2010 through 31 May 2010, Marine Corps Base Kaneohe Bay, Hawaii.

3. Personnel Information.

a. Commanding Officer Lieutenant Colonel Jeffrey C. Holt

b. Executive Officer Major Jer J. Garcia

c. Subordinate Commanders

- 1) India Company
- 2) Kilo Company
- 3) Lima Company
- 4) Weapons Company
- 5) H&S Company

(b) (6), (b)(3) 130b

d. Principal Staff Officers

- 1) S-1 Officer
- 2) S-2 Officer
- 3) S-3 Officer
- 4) Air Officers

(b) (6), (b)(3) 130b

5) S-4 Officer

6) S-6 Officer

7) Chaplain

8) Battalion Surgeon

e. Staff Historian

f. Sergeant Major

(b) (6), (b)(3) 130b

4. Average Monthly Strength.

	MO	ME	NO	NE
JANUARY	51	1194	3	61
FEBRUARY	51	1242	3	44
MARCH	53	1242	3	43
APRIL	54	1241	3	44
MAY	58	1233	3	43

5. Legal Action

The Commanding Officer, 3d Battalion, 3d Marines (3/3), is the Special Courts Martial Convening Authority. The following legal proceedings were conducted concerning Marines and Sailors of this battalion:

General Courts Martial.....0
Special Courts Martial.....1
Summary Courts Martial.....0
Non-Judicial Punishment.....36
Competency Review Board.....0
JAG Manual Investigation.....26
Administrative Discharge (non-EAS).....0

6. Awards

The following numbers of awards were presented to Marines and Sailors of 3d Battalion, 3d Marines:

Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal and senior.....20
Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal.....13
Certificate of Commendation.....17
Meritorious Mast.....5

SECTION II: NARRATIVE SUMMARY

Training & Operations

Upon return from post-deployment/holiday leave on 7 January, the battalion operations office prepared to depart for Pohakuloa Training Area (PTA) on the island of Hawai'i for conduct of Lava Viper training evolution. The battalion also sent Marines to North Carolina for IED Detector Dog training. Upon completion of transition to PTA, the Operations Section coordinated all training with the Army personnel at PTA in order to facilitate completion of Lava Viper. In early February, the battalion completed return from PTA to Marine Corps Base Hawaii (MCBH) in Kaneohe Bay.

In mid February, the battalion transitioned to Marine Corps Air Ground Combat Center Twenty-nine Palms (29 Palms), California for conduct of Enhanced Mojave Viper (EMV). The Battalion Operations Section coordinated with Tactical Training and Exercise Control Group (TTECG) personnel at 29 Palms to facilitate completion of EMV by the battalion. Upon completion of EMV, the battalion completed return to MCBH, Kaneohe Bay in late march.

From the last week of March to the first week of April, pre-qualification and qualification training for tables one and two, known-distance course, were completed at Puuloa Rifle Range. In early April, (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b replaced (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b as the Assistant Operations Officer for 3/3. Also in early April, the Operations Section coordinated the completion of a Combat Hunter Course in Marine Corps Training Area Bellows and Kahuku training area at Bellows Air Force Base and Kahuku, Hawaii respectively.

In May, Combat Water Survival annual training was completed. Also, tables three and four combat marksmanship were completed for the remaining Marines that had not qualified in November 2009. Also, the Operations Section made preparations for turnover of building 217 prior to deployment. In mid May, the battalion deployed to Nawa District, Helmand Province, Afghanistan in support of Operation Enduring Freedom (OEF). Upon arrival, personnel began conducting handover of the area of operations (AO) with 1st Battalion, 3d Marines (1/3).

Intelligence

In January, the battalion returned from post-deployment/holiday leave and conducted training at PTA on the island of Hawai'i. (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b became the new S-2 OIC, and attended the Security Manager's Course in California at the end of the month. The Intelligence and Infantry Marines for the Company Level Intelligence Cell (CLIC) conducted CLIC and MarineLink training.

In February, four hours of language training were conducted at the language learning resource center for the Marines who had previously received Pashtu language training. The S-2 received the Infantry Marines from the companies to augment the battalion intelligence shop. (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b came from Lima Company, (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b came from India Company, and (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b came from Weapons Company.

In March, the S-2 conducted Enhanced Mojave Viper at 29 Palms, California. Positive marks were received overall as an intelligence shop. All intelligence functions were given a rating of green. However, tactical site exploitation (TSE) procedures required improvement. Training on AR8200 handheld scanners was provided by 3d Radio Battalion. Also, four additional hours of language training for the Pashtu language trained Marines were conducted in this month.

In April, another four hours of language training was conducted at the language learning resource center. The S-2 worked to improve in remedial training, isolated personnel reports (ISOPREP) completion, clearances, map products, and current enemy tactics, techniques, and procedures (TTPs) in the area of operation. CLIC Marines conducted intelligence briefs on the area of operation for their company leadership. CLIC Marines also conducted weekly intelligence updates regarding enemy TTPs in the area of operation (AO).

In May, the S-2 conducted an account turnover to regiment and prepared building 217 for the section's departure to Afghanistan. Advanced personnel (ADVON), (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b departed for the AO.

Logistics, Armory, Supply, Motor Transport

In January, the battalion S-4 deployed 420 short-tons and 1,213 Marines and Sailors to the island of Hawaii via a combination of military and commercial air and sea movements in support of Lava Viper 10.1. A total of 27 flights, both military and commercial air was utilized; establishing arrival and departure airfield control groups in order to make liaison with KC-130 aircrew and Hawaiian Airlines. In close partnership with 3D Marines, S-4 personnel coordinated the cargo movement with Young Brothers Shipping Inc. The battalion S-4 pushed continuous logistical support for the duration of the operation, to include 500,000 rounds of ammunition, 28,000 hot meals, 8,000 gallons of fuel, and 30,000 gallons of bulk water. Over 18 training days, 5,000 Marines and Sailors were provided motorized transportation across the training area in support of company-level operations. The S-4 served as liaison to MAG-24 AND Combat Logistics Battalion (CLB) 3 in order to coordinate external battalion support.

In February 2010, the battalion retrograded 418 short-tons and 1,177 Marines and Sailors from the island of Hawaii via military and commercial air and sea movements. Coordinating with Hawaiian Airlines and Young Brothers Shipping Inc, S-4 personnel executed re-deployment preparations to 29 Palms, California. The S-4 embarked 51 short-tons and 1,066 Marines and Sailors to 29 Palms, California via requested strategic airlift in support of Enhanced Mojave Viper 3-10. In 29 Palms, the battalion's Okinawa-based Truck Platoon joined the battalion in order to provide medium tactical lift support for battalion operations. During the execution of EMV, the S-4 provided logistical support for the duration of the operations, to include approximately 1,000,000 rounds of ammunition, 60,000 hot meals, 37,000 gallons of fuel, and 70,000 gallons of bulk water. Over the span of 30 training days, 7,000 personnel were provided motorized transportation across the training area in support of battalion-level operations. Five Ammunition Supply Points were established across the battalion training area in support of company and battalion maneuver elements. The S-4 served as the liaison to Mojave Viper Support Detachment, 9th Engineer Support Battalion, CLB 7, and 1st Tank Battalion, while coordinating external battalion support.

Through March and April, the battalion retrograded 55 short-tons and 1,123 Marines and Sailors from 29 Palms to MCBH utilizing both strategic airlift and commercial shipping. After the Pre-deployment Site Survey Team departed MCBH for Afghanistan, the battalion S-4 coordinated support for 24 individual events at the platoon, company, and battalion level. The S-4 coordinated the Training Management Organization (TMO) pack-out and personal owned vehicle (POV) storage for deploying personnel.

In May, the battalion S-4 completed the account turnover of facilities and commodities with 3D Marine Regiment. The S-4 also deployed its ADVON and main body flights to Afghanistan, which embarked 976 Marines and Sailors to FOB Geronimo in the Nawa District of Afghanistan. This required a total of 32

separate inter-theater and intra-theater flights. By the end of May, the battalion S-4 had completed its commodities account turnover with Task Force 1ST Battalion, 3D Marines, conducted battlefield circulation to assess quality of life at 24 supported positions, and effectively assumed control of logistical operations.

Communications

In the first week of January, the Communications platoon prepared for movement to the island of Hawai'i for the Lava Viper training event at PTA. This exercise was the first assessment of the Communications Platoon. For more than half of the Marines in the platoon, this was the first field exercise they had conducted since graduating from their MOS school. The platoon provided single-channel radio, multi-channel radio, DSN, NIPR, and SIPR services to the battalion. Also, the Marines of Communications Platoon assisted in providing some services to units, which facilitated training during the exercise.

The Communications Platoon travelled with the battalion to 29 Palms, California for EMV. For this exercise, the platoon provided all communications (comm) services to the battalion. During this event, the Marines of the TTECG 10-shop evaluated the Communications Platoon on their proficiency in communication services, with a particular focus on providing single-channel radio to maneuver units that were conducting training. This facet of comm was given attention because it was the main asset used for enabling training. Thus, if radio nets were not functioning properly, continuation of training was hindered. As a result of performance of the radio section, radio communications assets functioned properly and training remained unimpeded.

Data services during EMV were also reviewed. Full NIPR, SIPR, and DSN services were brought up via a SWAN V1. Services were pulled from the Wahiawa Standard Tactical Entry Point (STEP) site and able to extend secure data services to all the company positions during the final exercise of EMV. Following this, the Marines of the TTECG 10-shop commented that 3/3 demonstrated the highest proficiency with data of any battalion they had seen at EMV.

Upon the battalion's return to Kaneohe Bay, the Marines of the Communications Platoon participated with the rest of the battalion in completing all required training before deploying. Once training was completed, the platoon turned over its gear set to 3d Marine Regiment, along with all workspaces. Following turnover, Communications Platoon deployed in support of OEF.

Air Shop

During the months of January through May, the battalion Tactical Air Control Party (TACP) participated in over seven training exercises, most notably Lava Viper at Pohakuloa Training Area (PTA) and Enhanced Mojave Viper (EMV) training exercises. Lava Viper explored more than ten days of combined Fires and Close Air Support (CAS) missions with Fixed and Rotary-Wing aircraft. Training within a Fire Support Coordination Center (FSCC), TACP experienced over 100 hours of CAS coordination. During the conduct of EMV, TACP orchestrated CAS employment in a live-fire atmosphere for training exercises of Clear, Hold, Build (CHB), to include CHB-1, CHB-2, CHB-3, and FIN-EX for over 30 days. TACP supported operations with state of the art Joint Tactical Aircraft Controller (JTAC) technology to include Full Motion Video (FMV) and Target-Location, Designation, and Hand-Off systems. Outside of Lava Viper and EMV, TACP further prepared for deployment by coordinating more than five extensive training exercises utilizing CAS Simulation as well as Kaneohe Bay Marine Corps Base's Simulated CAS habitat.

India Company

India Company completed post-deployment/holiday leave on 7 January, and began immediate embarkation for PTA on the island of Hawai'i in preparation for Lava Viper. The Company Commander, (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b conducted his Pre-Deployment Site Survey (PDSS) of EMV during the same time. Upon arrival at PTA, the company commenced its first live-fire exercise as a company since returning from Operation Iraq Freedom in November. The company executed individual skills ranges, squad attack ranges, platoon attack ranges, and helicopter exercises. The company successfully hiked over 50 miles in preparation for deployment to OEF. The company was without a 1stSgt for the duration of PTA, and (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b operated in the billets of both the Company 1stSgt and Company GySgt. Also in preparation for deployment, several Marines were selected to attend schools for specified skill development. Designated Marksmanship and IED Detector Dog (IDD) trainers were noted as being especially valuable.

Upon return from PTA in February, the company began embark for EMV. The company had less than ten days before departing for the next training exercise. The ADVON departed several days before the main body and began preparations to receive the Main Body personnel. India Company was given opportunity to conduct exercises with the MV-22 Osprey. The company executed Range 400 and 410A with notable high marks. The company was able to effectively run operations during the Mission Rehearsal Exercise (MRX), concluding EMV. After returning to MCBH, the company executed two rifle ranges, language courses, annual Physical Fitness Tests (PFT), and annual swim qualification. The company executed four hikes ending with the Obstacle Course, while wearing newly issued SAPI plate carriers. In mid May, the company deployed in support of OEF.

Kilo Company

Kilo Company returned from post-deployment/holiday leave in early January. Shortly after the Marines returned to Oahu, ADVON personnel departed to PTA for Lava Viper field exercise. The remainder of January and the beginning of February were spent executing Lava Viper events at PTA. During this time, the company conducted several small arms and individual skill ranges, a patrolling package, fire coordination training, and mechanized asset familiarization and integration. The Marines also conducted two live-fire maneuver ranges to include squad and platoon deliberate attacks. In addition to the training that Kilo Company conducted, the battalion further raised expectations by implementing a 50 mile minimum every Marine would have to hike while at PTA.

Kilo Company returned from PTA in the first week of February. Shortly thereafter, the battalion departed for 29 Palms, California for EMV. Kilo Company arrived in California by mid-February and commenced the fire and maneuver package of EMV. The training was conducted utilizing the Clear, Hold, Build framework of counter-insurgency. Kilo Company received positive assessments through the entirety of the training package. All three platoons for Kilo received above average ratings for their platoon live-fire attacks. The Company as well received above average rating on the company live-fire attack range. While at EMV, Kilo Company received 10 Marines who had recently graduated from the School of Infantry. At the close of EMV, (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b was awarded the Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal for his actions during the entire training operation.

In late March, EMV was completed and Kilo Company returned to Oahu. Upon return, the company further prepared to complete training designated by the battalion.

During the month of April, Kilo Company ensured their deployment preparation and paperwork was completed. To accomplish this, the company ensured all wills and powers of attorney were filed, emergency data sheets were updated, taxes had been filed, as well as dental and medical screenings were up to date and completed. The battalion then granted a ten day pre-deployment leave block for the Marines. The leave was split into two separate leave blocks, for ADVON and for Main Body flights. At the end of April, the ADVON Marines returned from their leave block and the main body began theirs.

In the beginning of May, Kilo Company ADVON departed for Operation Enduring Freedom. Ten Marines from Kilo Company departed on 5 May as ADVON in support of OEF. The main body for Kilo Company then departed on 15 May. The remainder of May was spent in transit to the battalion's AO. Once in Afghanistan, the Marines zeroed their weapons and received periods of instructions on the latest enemy TTPs. Kilo Company arrived at Patrol Base (PB) Jaker on 22 May. The Marines then spent the next two weeks at their individual platoons PBs, and began Relief in Place/Transfer of Authority (RIP/TOA) with their respective counterparts from 1st Battalion, 3d Marines.

Lima Company

In January, Lima Company departed from MCBH to PTA in preparation for the upcoming deployment to Afghanistan in support of OEF. While at PTA, Lima Company conducted live and blank fire combat training, varying from individual skills to platoon-size attacks. Lima Company was the only company in the battalion to summit the Mona Loa Volcano. This was a challenge that had been made by the Battalion Commander and accomplished by Lima Company alone. Following PTA, Lima Company returned to Oahu and began its preparation for EMV.

Lima Company returned from PTA in the first week of February. Shortly thereafter, the company departed for 29 Palms, California for EMV. The company participated in live and blank fire attacks structured around the clear, hold, build tactics of counter-insurgency. In late March, EMV was completed and Lima Company returned to MCBH, Kaneohe Bay. Upon return, the company further prepared to complete training designated by the battalion.

During the month of April, Lima Company ensured their deployment preparation and paperwork was completed. The battalion then granted a ten day pre-deployment leave block for the Marines. The leave was split into two separate leave blocks, for ADVON and for Main Body flights. At the end of April, the ADVON Marines returned from their leave block and the main body began theirs.

In the beginning of May, Lima Company ADVON departed for Operation Enduring Freedom. The main body for Lima Company then departed in mid May. The remainder of May was spent in transit to the battalion's AO. Once in Afghanistan, the Marines zeroed their weapons and received periods of instructions on the latest enemy TTPs. Upon arrival in the battalion's AO, the company began RIP/TOA with their respective counterparts from 1st Battalion, 3d Marines.

Headquarters and Service Company

Headquarters and Service (H&S) Company returned from post-deployment/holiday leave on 7 January. From 13 January to 2 February, H&S Company conducted live fire training and support operations for the battalion at PTA on the island of Hawai'i for Lava Viper training exercise.

Upon conclusion of Lava Viper, the company returned to MCBH to prepare for movement to 29 Palms California, for exercise Enhanced Mojave Viper. While at

EMV the company participated in multiple live fire exercises and supported the battalion throughout CHB1-4, exercising movement and establishment of the Battalion Forward on four occasions throughout the month long exercise. EMV concluded at the end of March and the Company returned to MCBH to conduct Block 5 training and prepare for the upcoming deployment in support of OEF.

Throughout April and the beginning of May, the company conducted multiple rifle ranges in order to ensure all annual training was complete prior to deployment as well as a full upgrade of all swim qualifications for the Marines. The Truck Platoon and Jump Platoon machine gun live fire training at MCBH as well. In early May, the company's ADVON departed for Afghanistan and the Main body departed on 14 May. Once in Afghanistan, the company conducted RSO&I training before conducting movement to the battalion's AO in Nawa District, Helmand Province. The Marines then spent the next two weeks conducting a relief in place with the Marines of 1st Battalion, 3d Marines in order to transfer authority of the AO to 3/3.

Weapons Company

The Company returned from post-deployment/holiday leave on 7 January. From 13 January to 2 February, Weapons Company conducted live-fire training at PTA on the island of Hawai'i for the Lava Viper training exercise.

Upon conclusion of Lava Viper at PTA, the company returned to the island of Oahu in mid February. ADVON for EMV departed from Kaneohe Bay in order to prepare 29 Palms for the RSO&I of the Main Body of the Battalion. From 10 February to 24 March, Weapons Company participated in EMV in 29 Palms, California in preparation for the upcoming deployment to Afghanistan. 81mm Mortar Platoon executed the Fire Support Coordination Exercise (FSCEX) in the Lead Mountain Corridor of 29 Palms. Both CAAT Platoons supported of the Line Companies during both live and blank fire training exercises.

Upon completion of EMV on 24 March, the company returned to Oahu. Weapons Company utilized the remainder of the month to begin planning further completion of training designated by the battalion.

During the month of April, annual rifle qualification was executed by Marines that were new to the company or were unable to qualify October, due to their participation in various schools. Weapons Company participated in a Combat Water Survival qualification in order to certify all the Marines at the minimum level of WSQ-4. Weapons Company also completed the semiannual Physical Fitness Test. From 16 April to 26 April pre-deployment leave was held for the Marines deploying with ADVON, and from 23 April to 3 May pre-deployment leave was conducted for all Marines deploying with the Main Body.

On 5 May, ADVON departed for Afghanistan in support of OEF. Upon arrival, ADVON Marines began turnover with their 1/3 counterparts. On 15 May, the Main Body of Weapons Company departed from Kaneohe Bay to Afghanistan.

Chaplain

During the month of January, the Religious Ministry Team (RMT) of Chaplain (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b and (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b implemented the 3/3 Command Religious Program. After the battalion returned from the holiday leave block, Chaplain (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b organized a battalion town hall meeting for families on 12 January, which was attended by over 400 individuals. The meeting was also joined by 10 off-island spouses, who were connected via Skype. This was directed by the Battalion Commander and assisted by two Marines from data section. Chaplain (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b elaborated on the responsibilities of the Battalion Family Readiness Officer because the position was not yet filled. The RMT deployed with the battalion to PTA for Lava Viper on 17 January. Field

services and visits were coordinated with the CLB-3 and MAG-24 Chaplains. The RP trained with the JUMP platoon on ranges during PTA. Chaplain (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b facilitated pre-marital counseling for each engaged Marine and his fiancé, as well as collected, edited, and posted articles and photos to the MCBH 3/3 Battalion Website site.

During the month of February, the Religious Ministry Team (RMT) of Chaplain (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b implemented the 3/3 Command Religious Program. The battalion returned from PTA, and Chaplain Martin assisted with training the new Family Readiness Officer (FRO). The RMT deployed with the battalion to EMV on 15 February. During the exercise, Camp Wilson services were coordinated with the 9ESB, 3LAR, MAG-39, and Base Chaplains. Field services were conducted by the Chaplain on all ranges. Chaplain (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b traveled to the forward ranges and stayed with the battalion forward, visiting Marines and Sailors. The RP trained with the JUMP platoon in weapons, first aid, patrolling, security, and mounted operations. Chaplain (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b provided Marines and Sailors with the opportunity to contact family via Skype using a laptop computer, video camera, and cellular card. (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b the Battalion Combat Cameraman, created a Battalion Facebook page which allowed families to follow the Marines' and Sailors' training. Chaplain (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b contacted the 1/3 Chaplain with RFIs for the Afghanistan deployment, and also facilitated pre-marital counseling for each engaged Marine and his fiancé. Chaplain (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b also further collected, edited, and posted articles and photos to the MCBH 3/3 Battalion Website site.

During the month of March, the Religious Ministry Team (RMT) of Chaplain (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b implemented the 3/3 Command Religious Program. The RMT continued training with the battalion at EMV. Field services were conducted by the RMT on all the ranges. Chaplain (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b traveled to the forward ranges and stayed with the battalion forward, visiting Marines and Sailors. The RP trained with the JUMP platoon in weapons, first aid, patrolling, security, and mounted operations. The RMT returned to MCBH, Kaneohe Bay, on 23 March. The battalion planned and carried out a Family Day on 26 March. Chaplain (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b facilitated further pre-marital counseling for each engaged Marine and his fiancé. Chaplain (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b collected, edited, and posted articles and photos to the MCBH 3/3 Battalion Website site.

During the month of April, the RMT implemented the 3/3 Command Religious Program. The RMT completed pre-deployment preparation. The RMT moved from building 1087 to the temporary office space with the battalion command team. The RP completed weapons pre-deployment training. The RMT also organized and conducted a Memorial Service on 15 April for (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b of 3/3 Weapons Company, who died on 30 March. Chaplain (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b prepared and conducted 2 pre-deployment briefs on 15 April for ADVON Marines, Sailors, and family. Chaplain (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b also prepared and conducted 2 pre-deployment briefs on 22 April for main body Marines, Sailors, and family. The meeting was joined by over a dozen off-island spouses who were connected via Skype, which was assisted by two Marines from data section. Chaplain (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b conducted 5 Warrior Preparation briefs for the companies, and continued facilitation of pre-marital counseling for each engaged Marine and his fiancé. Chaplain (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b also collected, edited, and posted articles and photos to the MCBH 3/3 Battalion Website site. The RMT conducted leave from 24 April to 1 May.

During the month May, the RMT continued implementation the 3/3 Command Religious Program. The RMT completed pre-deployment preparation. Chaplain (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b continued to facilitate pre-marital counseling for each engaged service member and his fiancé. Chaplain (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b further collected, edited, and posted articles and photos to the MCBH 3/3 Battalion Website site. The RMT deployed to Afghanistan on 14 May with H&S main body.

Battalion Aid Station (BAS)

The BAS supported four weeks of live fire training at PTA on the island of Hawai'i. This support included administering approximately 600 immunizations, performing 250 physicals, over 100 sick call encounters, 2 Air medevacs, and 10 ground medevacs to a higher level of care. The BAS was able retrograde all personnel and equipment from PTA, restock all class VIII materials, refit, and integrate new personnel prior to embarkation to EMV in a period of 13 days. The BAS deployed to EMV and supported five weeks of live fire training for 3/3 as well as six subordinate units. During this exercise the BAS conducted over 1000 immunizations, 300 physicals, 300 sick call encounters, 1 Air Medevac, 10 ground Medevacs to higher level care, and coordinated 250 Dental encounters. The end state for the BAS was full support for both these training evolutions while increasing medical readiness from 16% to 90%. Upon return from EMV, the BAS conducted two Live Tissue Classes (OEMS) in which all medical personnel received three days of didactic classes, and two days of hands-on live tissue training on a porcine trauma model. During this period, 42 Corpsmen were integrated into the command and trained PTP complete by the battalion and BAS. Lastly, the BAS deployed to OEF and began the RIP/TOA with 1/3, and assumed full responsibility of Coalition Medical Care in AO Trinity.

SECTION III: SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

JANUARY

7 Jan Return from post-deployment/holiday leave block

14 Jan ADVON departs to PTA for Lava Viper 10.1

15 Jan - 16 Jan Main Body departs to PTA for Lava Viper 10.1

FEBRUARY

2 Feb - 4 Feb Main Body redeploys to MCBH Kaneohe Bay after completion of Lava Viper 10.1

8 Feb - 10 Feb ADVON departs to Enhanced Mojave Viper

10 Feb - 13 Feb Main Body departs to Enhanced Mojave Viper

MARCH

16 Mar ADVON redeploys from EMV to MCBH Kaneohe Bay

18 Mar - 20 Mar Main Body redeploys from EMV to MCBH Kaneohe Bay

APRIL

MAY

5 May ADVON deploys to Afghanistan in support of OEF

14 - 21 May Main Body deploys to Afghanistan in support of OEF

SECTION IV: SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

- Item 1: "MCB Hawaii units arrive at PTA"
mcbh.usmc.mil
15 January 2010
<http://www.mcbh.usmc.mil/news/Jan15A10.pdf>
- Item 2: "'America's Battalion' arrives at Lava Viper"
mcbh.usmc.mil
22 January 2010
<http://www.mcbh.usmc.mil/news/Jan22A10.pdf>
- Item 3: "Aiming Ahead: 3/3 set sights on Mojave Viper, Afghanistan"
mcbh.usmc.mil
5 February 2010
<http://www.mcbh.usmc.mil/news/Feb5A10.pdf>
- Item 4: "The Last Stepping Stone"
mcbh.usmc.mil
19 February 2010
<http://www.mcbh.usmc.mil/news/Feb19A10.pdf>
- Item 5: "Marines sweep through new counter-IED training lane"
mcbh.usmc.mil
5 March 2010
<http://www.mcbh.usmc.mil/news/Mar5A10.pdf>
- Item 5: "Lie on it: India Company proves there's no 'I' in team during company assault"
mcbh.usmc.mil
5 March 2010
<http://www.mcbh.usmc.mil/news/Mar5A10.pdf>
- Item 6: "POG 311"
mcbh.usmc.mil
19 March 2010
<http://www.mcbh.usmc.mil/news/Mar19A10.pdf>
- Item 7: "3/3 wraps up Combined Arms Exercise, Exercise Mojave Viper"
mcbh.usmc.mil
26 March 2010
<http://www.mcbh.usmc.mil/news/Mar26A10.pdf>
- Item 8: "Memorial held for 3/3 Marine"
mcbh.usmc.mil
23 April 2010
<http://www.mcbh.usmc.mil/news/Apr23A10.pdf>
- Item 9: "Farewell 'America's Battalion'"
mcbh.usmc.mil
21 May 2010
<http://www.mcbh.usmc.mil/news/May21A10.pdf>



3D BATTALION, 3D MARINE REGIMENT
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From: Commanding Officer, 3d Battalion, 3d Marine Regiment, Regimental Combat Team 1

To: Commanding Officer, Regimental Combat Team 1

Subj: COMMAND CHRONOLOGY FOR THE PERIOD OF 1 OCTOBER 2010 THROUGH 1 DECEMBER 2010

Ref: (a) MCO 5750.1H
(b). DivO 5750.7D
(c) RegtO 5750.1C

1. Per the references, 3d Battalion, 3d Marine Regiment Command Chronology is submitted.
2. The point of contact concerning this matter is First Lieutenant Jason D. Stokes at jason.stokes@usmc.mil.



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SECTION I: ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

1. Unit Designation.

a. Reporting Unit Code: M13130

b. Table of Organization Numbers:

- 1) 1013G Rifle Company, Infantry Battalion
- 2) 1013G Rifle Company, Infantry Battalion
- 3) 1013G Rifle Company, Infantry Battalion
- 4) 1027H Weapons Company, Infantry Battalion
- 5) 1037F Headquarters and Service Company Infantry Battalion

2. Period Covered and Location. From 1 October 2010 through 31 October 2010, Nawa District, Afghanistan.

3. Personnel Information.

a. Commanding Officer Lieutenant Colonel Jeffrey C. Holt

b. Executive Officer Major Jer J. Garcia

c. Subordinate Commanders

- 1) India Company
- 2) Kilo Company
- 3) Lima Company
- 4) Weapons Company
- 5) H&S Company

(b) (6), (b)(3) 130b

d. Principal Staff Officers

- 1) S-1 Officer Mathurin

(b) (6), (b)(3) 130b

- 2) S-2 Officer

3) S-3 Officer

4) Air Officers

5) S-4 Officer

6) S-6 Officer
Bishoff

7) Chaplain
Martin

8) Battalion Surgeon

e. Staff Historian
Stokes

f. Sergeant Major

(b) (6), (b)(3) 130b

(b) (6), (b)(3) 130b

4. Average Monthly Strength.

	MO	ME	NO	NE	CIV
OCTOBER	61	818	3	71	15

5. Legal Action

The Commanding Officer, 3rd Battalion, 3rd Marines, is the Special Courts Martial Convening Authority. The following legal proceedings were conducted concerning Marines and Sailors of this battalion:

General Courts Martial.....	0
Special Courts Martial.....	0
Summary Courts Martial.....	0
Non-Judicial Punishment.....	3
Competency Review Board.....	0
JAG Manual Investigation.....	10
Administrative Discharge (non-EAS).....	0

6. Awards

The following numbers of awards were presented to Marines and Sailors of 3rd Battalion, 3rd Marines:

Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal and senior.....	0
Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal.....	1
Certificate of Commendation.....	41
Meritorious Mast.....	15

Training & Operations

In the month of October, the Operations Section continued to support the battalion in the Nawa district of Afghanistan. This required the coordination and supervision of several visitations to the battalion's area of operations (AO) as well as two named operations.

On 14 October, the first named operation took place in India Company's AO. For the conduct of Operation Black Tip, the Operations Section coordinated the support of units from the Hades Combined Action Company. The Hades unit was comprised of Lima Company and H&S Company personnel, which were tasked to support India Company with the provision of a blocking and maneuver element.

On 17 October, the battalion coordinated the Food Zone Program Shura at the Nawa district center. This shura was created to distribute seed to the local nationals as an alternative means to growing poppy.

From 23 to 29 October, Operation Clean Sweep was conducted in the southern area of Weapons Company's AO. Hades units from the battalion's main position at Forward Operating Base (FOB) Geronimo were again tasked to support this operation. Despite being scheduled for two days longer, the units retrograded early due to lack of expected enemy activity in the area.

On 26 October, the battalion hosted visiting personnel for the NATO media day, which took place at the District Center in Kilo Company's AO. The NATO personnel also toured Patrol Base (PB) Dre Wazaran during their visit to Nawa District.

On 28 October, the Deputy Secretary of Defense the Honorable William J. Lynn III visited the Nawa District Center. The Regimental Combat Team 1 (RCT 1) staff arrived to accompany the battalion staff in hosting the Deputy

Secretary of Defense for his visit. Following his departure, the RCT 1 staff remained in Nawa until 30 October to tour the battalion AO.

On 30 October, Advanced Operational Node (ADVON) personnel for the battalion departed from FOB Geronimo to re-deploy to Marine Corp Base Hawaii (MCBH) Kaneohe Bay. Upon their return, ADVON personnel will make preparations for the upcoming return of main body personnel.

Intelligence

In the month of October, (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b participated in India Company's Operation Black Tip. The attached Radio Battalion teams provided support for operations throughout the battle space. Also, (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b became a certifying official for the Department of Defense Rewards Program. This program was created to reward local nationals that provide information leading to the successful capture of high valued individuals or to the successful recovery of Coalition equipment.

During the month of October, the S-2 also answered over 35 requests for information (RFIs) on the RFI tracker. This totaled to over 200 RFIs answered since the creation of the tracker at the beginning of July. Starting the first week in October, RCT 1 required a weekly IED trend analysis brief to be submitted on Saturdays, which was completed by the S-2.

Logistics, Armory, Supply, Motor Transport

In the month of October, the S-4 planned, coordinated, and received 16 resupply convoys from Combat Logistics Battalion (CLB)-3 and CLB-5. As well, Air Force utilities personnel arrived to complete wiring improvements at company Combat Outposts (COPs). The S-4 coordinated recovery, fresh food, and transportation support for Operation Black Tip in India Company's AO. The S-4 also provided lift support to Kilo, Lima, and Weapons Companies in support of the transfer of lead security throughout the AO to further allow transition of positions to Afghans National Security Forces (ANSF) personnel.

During the month of October, Truck Platoon completed 31 armored patrols to supported battalion positions, to include four ANSF partnered patrols. In conduct of these

mounted patrols, Truck Platoon prepared and transported 702,500 gallons of water, 100,000 pounds of food, and 132,746 gallons of fuel. Field Mess coordinated fresh food transportation to the company positions and made initial preparations for the reception of the Veteran's Day and Thanksgiving Day meals.

During this time, Utilities Marines provided periods of instruction to ANSF forces on basic generator operation and maintenance. In addition, these Marines coordinated the delivery of 30 220V generators throughout the battalion AO in order to provide ANSF with their own sources of power.

Motor Transport completed the retrograde of HMMWVs and trailers from various positions in the AO in order to facilitate their turnover to 1stMarDiv (FWD) at Camp Leatherneck. As well, they performed a period of instruction to the Afghan National Army (ANA) on HMMWV vehicle maintenance.

Communications

In the month of October, the platoon continued planning and conducting various operations, and maintaining the communications network for the battalion. Communications Platoon was tasked with providing support for ADVON personnel. The primary aspect of this was to ensure good internet and telephone connectivity for ADVON when they return to MCBH Kaneohe Bay. The S-6 also ensured that the ADVON Marines in Communications Platoon were prepared to re-deploy to MCBH.

Air Shop

In the month of October, the Tactical Air Control Party (TACP) continued to ensure aviation support of the battalion's mission in Nawa. The TACP continued to maintain a heavy volume of contract aircraft in support of logistics at FOB Geronimo.

During this time, a notable advancement was made in the extension of communication capabilities. Due to the efforts of (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b the Air Watch NCO, the Air Shop was able to establish UHF communications between FOB Geronimo and every other company position. Furthermore, UHF communications was established between FOB Geronimo and Camp Dwyer, a distance of over 25 miles. This was

accomplished by the ingenious emplacement of a vehicle whip antenna on a 30-foot high extension pole that was stabilized by a HESCO barrier. The newfound capability has allowed the Air Shop to use UHF as a TACP-(Local) network for the rapid transmission of time-sensitive information regarding aviation requests.

Finally, (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b completed the Air Shop Turnover Binder in preparation for the upcoming RIP/TOA. This was finished just prior to his departure with ADVON personnel.

India Company

In the month of October, India Company requested two Artillery missions on IED emplacers, which resulted in two Enemy Prisoners of War (EPWs) and one Enemy Killed in Action (KIA). The ANA had one soldier Killed in Action by an IED while conducting a joint patrol with the Marines of India Company. As the fallen soldier was air evacuated, a combined honor guard of Marines and ANA soldiers stood in honor of their fallen comrade.

On 6 October, while conducting a security patrol south of PB Lamba Dand, 2nd Platoon's 1st Squad was engaged by multiple enemy firing positions in which a Troops-in-Contact was declared. However, the incident did not result in either friendly or enemy casualties.

There was one named operation during this month. India Company 1st Platoon, with India Mobile, Scout Snipers, and CAAT1-B, executed Operation Black Tip on 14 October. The operation resulted in four detainees, who were subsequently processed through the Afghan Court System. The main element of the clearing operation declared a Troops-in-Contact when the enemy opened fire from multiple firing positions.

During the entirety of the month, multiple key leader engagements were conducted in order to discuss governance, security, and alternative growth of crops. Near the end of the month, India Company turned over control of PB Momenkhan to CAAT1B. The turnover of PB Momenkhan reduced the total number of India Company positions to six.

Kilo Company

In the month of October, Kilo Company progressed further with the battalion's guidance for Transfer of Lead Security Responsibility (TLSR). The TLSR was designed to be a systematic reduction in Marine presence at partnered checkpoints. The desired endstate was for Afghan forces to maintain complete independence from coalition forces. In the beginning of October, Kilo Company began retrograde of squads from their platoon positions to COP Jaker, allowing for the stand up of a second mobile unit, and reducing the company footprint at its patrol bases. By mid October, all movement of company personnel was completed, and Kilo Mobile 3rd section began its first mounted missions. The addition of this mounted element allowed greater mobility in the platoon AO while continuing dismounted patrolling operations from the vehicles.

In the second week of October, the first Afghan National Police (ANP) training class arrived at PB Dre Wazaran. Joint training was conducted with Marines of the Police Advisory Team (PAT) and DynaCorps law enforcement professionals. During the second week of training, the first group of trainees was replaced by more experienced ANP from Marjah. The training became more beneficial with the change in trainee personnel, as they were more engaged in the classes. Instruction consisted of VCPs, personnel searches, detainee handling, investigative questioning, constitutional and penal code discussions, as well as literacy. Class time was reinforced with mentored patrolling and practical application in the field, emphasizing community engagement and policing.

After completing the redistributions for second platoon, PB Khiyal Zmeka was converted into a partnered ANA/Marine out post. 2nd Platoon conducted battlefield orientation with the ANA leadership and facilitated the ANA conduct of independent operations. Improvements on infrastructure of the PB included continued construction for the ANA, as well as switching from Marine Corps power supply to civilian generators. Instruction on maintenance and operations of generators was given to allow the ANA to function completely independent of Marines there. 2nd platoon also moved a squad to Fasoldeen Doree Station, formerly known as CP/PB White 20 as a Lima Company position. This PB also began force protection improvements with power provided by PAT-purchased civilian generators. Marines there began mentoring the ANP resident of the check point, ensuring they were successfully completing their assigned missions,

from local security patrols, to post standing and vehicle check point operation.

Kilo Company was reinforced by elements of Hades, who maintained security at CP Wrightsman and increased Marine presence in the highly active areas of Gowragi and Negari. The establishment of Marine presence in these areas further interdicted enemy activity.

On 17 October, Kilo Company facilitated the Food Zone Shura, which was held at the Khalaj High School. The shura was attended by over 700 participants. The only incident during the conduct of the shura occurred following its conclusion. When the helicopter that was attempting pick up guest VIPs at COP Jaker LZ, one rocket shot impacted the outside of the berm. Other than the crater to the western LZ berm, no injuries or damages were sustained.

Kilo Company executed a NATO media visit on 26 October. This consisted of a battlefield brief, a bazaar walk, and a visit to PB Dre Wazaran with the support of PAT mobile unit. No significant enemy activity or disruptions occurred during this event.

At the end of October, Kilo Company facilitated the visit of the Deputy Secretary of Defense, providing security sweeps of the Nawa District Center and bazaar, as well as an active standoff patrolling effort to screen the landing zone and bazaar. The company enabled a safe visit for the Deputy Secretary, to include a walk through the district center bazaar, and a tour of the Nawa District Center itself.

Lima Company

In the month of October, Lima Company operations became increasingly steady and stable. The company completed its final preparations for TLSR of all remaining positions in the AO to Afghan forces. The preparations made during this month included the supervision of ANSF and daily security patrols of the area. In regards to position transfer, the Faseldeen Dooree Precinct Station was transferred to Kilo Company. This decreased the personnel manpower required in the AO, and further allowed relieving forces for 2nd Battalion, 3rd Marines (2/3) to allocate these forces elsewhere.

An education shura with the school principal and local elders was held at the Hazarasp School to discuss how to increase attendance. While some maintained the opinion that lack of security was reason for poor attendance, this was not supported by the minimal significant events in recent months. It was assessed that as enemy activity reduced even further, attendance would increase.

In October, Reconstruction and Development Lines of Operation made steady progress with the preponderance of the paperwork completed for the Pinjadoo Market Project. The construction for this proposed market was scheduled to primarily occur during the operations by 2/3 in Nawa.

ANSF made several advances as they began to assume more of the responsibility in the AO. All positions occupied by the ANA maintained internal-led missions, and the occupation of the Precinct Stations increased the productivity of the workers on the site. This progress in the company's AO allowed it to continue having the greatest proportion of ANSF-led operations.

Toward the end of the month, Lima Company's ADVON personnel departed to prepare facilities at MCBH Kaneohe Bay for upcoming return of the main body. This caused the company to train and prepare replacement Marines to assume the duties and responsibilities of the departed Marines.

Headquarters and Service (H&S) Company

In the month of October, Headquarters and Service Company continued on expansion projects on board Forward Operating Base (FOB) Geronimo by preparing the western expansion for the building of a new LSA. Also, the Combined Action Company (Hades) worked in support of India and Kilo Company at the newly-established Check Point (CP) Wrightsman in the vicinity of the Gowragi and Negari villages in Nawa District. This CP provided interdiction to allow continued freedom of movement from Lashkagahr to Garmsir. Ultimately intended to be an un-partnered police check point, CP Wrightsman was initially manned by Hades 1 and 2, then subsequently turned over to Kilo Company for later handover to the Nawa Police.

At the end of the month Hades 1 supported Weapons Company for Operation Clean Sweep, a clearing operation in the southernmost portion of the battalion's AO. Also at the end

of October, H&S ADVON personnel departed to prepare the accounts and facilities at Marine Corps Base Hawaii for the Company's return in one month.

Weapons Company

In the month of October, Weapons Company continued steady state patrolling operations in the southernmost company AO of the Nawa district. The only notable event was the execution of Operation Clean Sweep from 23 October to 29 October. This operation yielded no significant contact with enemy forces, and revealed a much less prominent enemy presence than initially assessed.

On 28 October, ADVON personnel departed from Weapons Company positions to begin their transition to MCBH Kaneohe Bay. The personnel will prepare the company for operations upon return of the main body.

Chaplain

In the month of October, the Religious Ministry Team (RMT) of Chaplain (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b implemented the 3/3 Command Religious Program. In this time, the RMT traveled to 14 forward COPs and PBs in the 3/3 AO. They provided a ministry of presence with H&S, India, Kilo, Lima and Weapons Companies. Also, (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b completed all the requirements for the EFMF.

From 18-26 October, the RCT-1 Chaplain, CDR Glassmire, visited the 3/3 AO. During this time CDR Glassmire provided Catholic services to India, Kilo, Lima, Weapons, and H&S Companies.

At FOB Geronimo, weekly chapel services were held on Sundays. Chaplain (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b managed the MWR and SPAWAR center at FOB Geronimo; including overseeing the supervision, maintenance, upgrades, staffing, and cleaning of the facilities. The RMT received, sorted, and distributed approximately 300 care packages to the companies in October. Chaplain (b) (6), (b)(3) 130b collected, edited, and posted articles and photos to the MCBH 3/3 Battalion Website site and Facebook page, and completed the Battalion Newsletter for families.

Battalion Aid Station (BAS)

In the month of October, the BAS examined 245 total patients, with 128 being Marines, 67 Afghan National Army soldiers, and 74 local nationals. The BAS also conducted four air medevacs for both active duty and local national patients. All four executed medevacs were categorized as Priority.

Throughout October, the BAS continued administration of the annual flu vaccine, which had begun the previous month. Since initiating the administrations of this vaccine, the BAS has treated over 1000 Marines and Sailors. Also in October, the BAS scheduled two fleet marine force enlisted warfare oral boards.

BAS ADVON personnel departed from FOB Geronimo to return to MCBH Kaneohe Bay. The BAS completed post-deployment health assessments for all ADVON personnel in the battalion prior to their departure on 30 October.

SECTION III

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

OCTOBER

14 October	Operation Black Tip
17 October	Food Zone Program Shura
23-29 October	Operation Clean Sweep
26 October	NATO Media Day
28 October	Deputy Secretary of Defense visit to COP Jaker
28-30 October	Host RCT 1 Command personnel
30 October	ADVON depart 3/3 AO